THE WEATHER

Rain this afternoon; clearing and warmer tonight; Tuesday, fair, colder in the afternoon.

THE LOWELL SUN

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Escaped Convicts Still at Large

New Year's Program

TONIGHT

New Year's Eve entertainment at All Souls Parish House, 9 to 11. Watch Night services in church, 11 to midnight.

Watch Night services at St. Anne's church, 11 to midnight. Organ recital 10.30 to 11. Ringing of chimes at midnight.

Church of Nazarene, First street, Watch Night services, beginning at 8.30.

Lawrence Street P. M. Church, Watch Night services, 11 to midnight.

Watch Night services at Matthews Memorial Church, 11 to midnight.

Watch Night services at St. John's Episcopal Church, 11 to midnight.

Central Baptist Church, Watch Night services, 8 to midnight.

Special New Year's Eve services in other churches.

Souvenir Dinner and Dance by Lowell Advertising Club, Memorial Auditorium, beginning at 6.30.

Ladies' Night by Lowell Lodge of Elks, Elks Home, Middle street, beginning at 8 p. m.

New Year's Dance with Supper at midnight by Vesper Country Club at Colonial Hall.

Dance at Highland Club by the Stratfords.

Monthly Conference and Dinner by Lowell Christian Endeavor Union at Worthen Street Baptist Church.

New Year's Party and Banquet by Broadway Social and Athletic Association at Club Rooms, 8 to 2.

Annual Banquet and Entertainment by South End Club, Hamilton Hall, Odd Fellows Building, beginning at 11.30 p. m.

Big New Year's Eve Novelty Dancing Party at Associate Hall, beginning at 8 o'clock.

Roller Skating Parties at the Crescent Rink and the Kavino.

Midnight Show and Celebration at Lowell Opera House, 11.30 p. m. to 1.30 a. m.

Banquet to Cast of "Under the Spotlight" by Y. M. C. I. at 7.30 o'clock.

Mohawk All Night Dance—Lincoln Club, 8 to 4.

New Year's Midnight Performance at Keith's, starting at 11 o'clock.

Continuous Movies at The Strand until midnight.

New Year's Eve Dinner and Cabaret at Marie's Restaurant, beginning at 9 o'clock.

Special New Year's Eve Shows in all theatres.

New Year's Eve Mock Trial and Entertainment by Mathew Temperance Institute at Wier Building, 11 p. m. until after midnight.

TOMORROW

Feast of the Circumcision in all the Catholic churches with masses in the morning and vesper services in the evening.

Laying of the Corner Stone of New Elks Home in Warren street, 12.30 p. m.

Boxing Billy Murphy vs. "Bud" Dempsey, and three other bouts, at Crescent Rink at 3 p. m. under auspices of Moody Club.

Tomorrow Night—Dancing and Roller Skating in local halls and rinks, and special holiday bills in all the theatres.

Four Prisoners, One a Pal of Noted Mail Bandit, Tunnel Way to Freedom From Atlanta Prison

FIREMEN HURT AT PIHL FIRE

Capt. Tom Collins and Another Fireman Hurt at Two-Alarm Fire

Furniture Store of Victor Pihl Gutted by Spectacular and Stubborn Fire

Two firemen, Tom and Frank Collins, were injured shortly after 9.30 o'clock last night when a mysterious and spectacular two-alarm fire gutted the furniture store of Victor Pihl at 679 Gorham street. Capt. Tom Collins of Engine 1 fell from a ladder while fighting the blaze in the three-story rickety frame building which was crammed to capacity with household furniture, most of it second hand. Frank Collins was struck and knocked down by Engine 2 while coupling hose.

Both accidents occurred almost upon arrival of men and apparatus at the scene of the blaze. The police ambulance had picked up the injured men and was well on its way to the Lowell Corporation hospital before the second alarm from box 223 Gorham and Thorndike streets had been pulled.

Blazed Like Tinder Box

A large crowd was present at the fire, flames from which could be seen from down-town. The old building, a ramshackle affair of two stories to which several ells and a third story had been added by the use of salvage lumber, blazed like a tinder box.

The police detail, with Lt. Frawley in active charge, was augmented by over a dozen officers off duty and in plain clothes who answered the second alarm.

Another Alarm During Fire

Just when it was apparent that the

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SENSATIONAL JAIL DELIVERY

Quartet Worm Their Way Out of Federal Penitentiary Through 50-Foot Tunnel

Narrow Passage Ran Under Concrete Wall Encircling the Prison

Most Daring Jail Delivery in History of Atlanta Penitentiary

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 31.—In the most sensational jail delivery in the history of the Atlanta federal penitentiary, four convicts, one a partner of Gerald Chapman, million dollar mail bandit, are at liberty after having wormed their way to freedom through a narrow 50 foot tunnel which ran under the concrete wall encircling the prison, late yesterday.

Of the quartet, the most notorious of the fugitives is George Anderson, who was serving a 25 years sentence

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CHURCH WAR IS RENEWED

Rev. Dr. Grant Declares Christmas Truce is Over as Far as He is Concerned

Rev. Dr. Stratton Says Anarchy Will Result if Bible is Torn to Pieces

NEW YORK, Dec. 31. Efforts to settle without recourse to public discussion the doctrinal controversy in the Protestant Episcopal church, begun at a conference Friday at which modernist and conservative representatives were present, today appeared endangered by pulpit assertion yesterday that the Christmas truce requested in a diocesan letter from Bishop William T. Manning was at an end and that the inter-factional struggle would go on with renewed vigor.

Rev. Dr. Percy Stickney Grant, rector of the Church of the Ascension, a leading modernist, whose views last year,

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MAYOR DONOVAN'S NEW YEAR'S GREETING

Time records the advent of a new year. A year full of promise and hope, a year upon which we base happy expectations of achievements greater than we have ever before been privileged to perform. New Year's day is one of inspiration and resolve, impulses noble and elevating fill our hearts as we contemplate the progress we will make and the good that we will do. That there may be abundant realization of the aims and ambitions which possess you is my sincere New Year's greeting to you, my fellow citizens.

May a community spirit strong and vigorous guide our every effort and unite us in a common bond of citizenship which will stimulate in us a fixed purpose to render individual service for public good. One may accept or evade civic responsibility, but service to others and the community in general has its compensation in the knowledge that one has done something worth while.

Lowell is a grand city. It has been good to you and to me during the past year. We have lived in an atmosphere of happiness, peace and contentment. I urge that you contribute even more to its civic ambitions and advancement during the new year. Let us meet one another with even greater confidence, good will and understanding and strive earnestly for a higher attainment of the best that may be found in community life.

May I pledge for the new year a conduct of the mayor's office in accord with the same standard of public service I now ask you to give to the end that our city and our people may enjoy a year of unbounded happiness and prosperity.

JOHN J. DONOVAN, Mayor.

LOWELL WILL GIVE THE NEW YEAR ENTHUSIASTIC WELCOME

Special Programs at Theatres and Other Places of Amusement—New Year Menus at Restaurants—Watch-Night Services in Many Churches

Extremes of thought and action will mark Lowell's welcome to the new year at midnight tonight.

In scores of places music and jovial shouts of welcome will greet little 1924, while in direct contrast will be the religious watch-night services in many churches. But in every instance new born hope will be manifest and there will be only messages of good cheer for the 12 months that stretch ahead.

Practically every available hall in the city will have its full quota of merry-makers tonight and restaurants will house happy parties around friendly dinner tables. The two outstanding social events are the Ad club souvenir dinner at the Auditorium and the New Year's party by the Vesper Country club at Colonial hall. Each will be generously patronized and each will provide amusement aplenty for the persons who attend.

Theatres have arranged special mid-

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CITY CHAUFFEURS HEARD

Men Who Refused to Shovel Snow Given Hearing by Service Board

The five city chauffeurs, who were laid off last Friday following an alleged refusal to shovel snow at the city stables on order of Assistant Superintendent Garrity were given a hearing at city hall today before the board of public service.

The five chauffeurs were first heard with Attorney Thomas L. Reynolds acting as their representative. The hearing was still in progress at the time of going to press.

Police have issued a warning that check-workers are active in this city.

VISITS WHITE HOUSE

Gen. Butler Ames Called Upon President Coolidge Today

Special to The Sun

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Italy is making rapid progress out of post war economic depression, former Congressman Butler Ames of Lowell told Pres. Coolidge today. Gen. Ames has been in Italy six months and called at the White House to pay his respects to the president.

RICHARDS.

N. Y. AND BOSTON CLEARINGS

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Exchanges $571,000,000; balances $89,000,000.

BOSTON, Dec. 31.—Exchanges, $57,000,000; balances, $26,000,000.

USES STEAM ROLLER TO DESTROY 400 STILLS

UNIONTOWN, Pa., Dec. 31.—Sheriff I. I. Shaw of Fayette county, today employed a steam roller to destroy 400 stills, confiscated in this region during the year. The stills were carried to a paved street in the rear of the county jail and the heavy roller went into action.

Last week the sheriff destroyed confiscated whiskey, moonshine and wine worth more than $300,000.

GOT TO WATCH YOUR STEP

Storm Makes Dangerous Walking—Extra Street Car Service This Evening

It looked like a real storm with eastern gale fringes early last evening, but the snowfall was not heavy and the storm turned to a misty, cold rain this morning, some of it freezing as it fell and making sidewalks and street passageways crusty for general footing purposes.

With weather predictions and indications favorable for a good-sized snowstorm of the pre-New Year sort, Lowell street railway heads figured closely and started out five sweepers and one plow shortly after 8 p. m., keeping them all running and covering every line all night along.

There will be the usual extra cars for tonight's pre-holiday rush hours, but only specials for one midnight observance—St. Paul's. This special service was requested. The street railway will be operating up to around midnight in the usual way, with "extra specials" floating on each busy line, but no arrangements have been made to handle the celebrators who will be flocking from restaurants and hotels and private New Year's observance haunts beyond the zero point when the New Year bursts into town and makes itself known.

Weather conditions today were far from ideal, even for the last day of the old year. Snow in the morning, then sleet, then rain, later a mixture of all three and a lot of drizzling as the day advanced were the simplest features of today's continued storm.

JEWELER SHOT BY BANDIT

Probably Mortally Wounded When He Refused to Open Safe in N. Y. Store

Grappled With Robber When Ordered to Open Safe and Throw Up Hands

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Bernard Brown, a Bronx jeweler, today was shot and perhaps mortally wounded by a bandit when he refused to open his safe.

Brown had just opened his store and was kneeling in front of his safe, when a black touring car containing three men drew and one, bandit, armed with a pistol, entered the shop.

As Brown turned around the stranger told him to open the safe and then throw up his hands. Instead of obeying the jeweler grappled with the robber who fired two shots. Brown dropped with a wound in the abdomen.

The intruder ran to his confederates and fled in the car.

DROP IN MILK BUT NOT IN PRICE

A one-man car operated by Bertram W. Dixon of 83 Hadley street ran into the milk wagon of Felix Wroblewski of 16 Hampshire street at 6.30 o'clock this morning. The horse hauling the wagon ran away but was captured before serious damage resulted. Considerable milk was spilled along Bridge street, Dracut, where the crash occured.

MEXICAN FEDERAL AND REBEL FORCES ENGAGED IN BIG BATTLE

American Army Officers Report Fighting in Progress at Camargo, on the Rio Grande—State and War Dept. Officials Discuss Sale of War Supplies

BROWNSVILLE, Tex., Dec. 31.—American army officers at Fort Ringgold today reported fighting between Mexican federal and rebel troops at Camargo, on the Rio Grande, 40 miles above Matamoros. The town is garrisoned by a small detachment of federal troops from Matamoros. No reports on the results of the battle were obtained at noon, but American military officers state that the firing, which started before daylight, was very heavy.

Discuss Sale of War Supplies

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—State and war department officials continued their consultations today over details of the plan to sell a quantity of war

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BILLS PROVIDING FOR NEW COURT HOUSE

The two bills already formulated for the purpose of the establishment of a new district court building in Lowell, one filed by Rep. Thomas J. Corbett and the other sponsored by the county commissioners and filed by Rep. Victor F. Jewett, will be referred at once to the committee on counties, it was learned today.

The Corbett bill calls for the expenditure of not more than $400,000 for a new building on or near the present site in Market street, while the bill sponsored by the commission entails an expenditure of $125,000 for a building on one end of the county court house lot in Gorham street.

Although the Lowell Bar association has taken no formal note upon either proposal, it is understood there is a strong sentiment against the removal of the court to the Gorham street neighborhood.

CHIMNEY FELL, TWO FIREMEN INJURED

SPRINGFIELD, Dec. 31.—Two firemen were injured, one seriously today, by the collapse of a chimney in a fire that destroyed the large dwelling owned and occupied by the family of Mrs. Harriett P. Pike, in the adjoining town of Agawam. The fire endangered the plant of the Silver Lake Ice Co. The loss will reach $15,000.

SECOND DEATH IN AUTO ACCIDENT

LYNN, Dec. 31.—Mrs. Lillian Marsh Lawrence of Cliftondale died at the Lynn hospital today, as a result of injuries sustained when an automobile hit a trolley pole near the Fox Hill bridge last night. Mrs. Lawrence was a sister-in-law of Edward Dudevoir, driver of the car, who was killed in the accident.

PICK-UP RADIO CONCERT

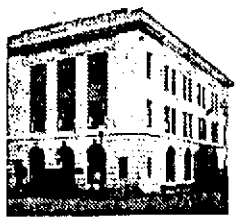
CAPE TOWN, South Africa, Dec. 31. A radio concert broadcast from a London station was heard for more than two hours Saturday night at Middleburg, Cape Province.

BANKER DROPS DEAD

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—James Christie Bell, 74, formerly a vice president of the National Nassau bank of this city, dropped dead today in a subway train.

Interest Begins SATURDAY

January 5th



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NOTICE

Tomorrow, New Year's Day, Sunday time will be operated on all lines.

EASTERN MASS. ST. RY.

Elks Ladies' Night TONIGHT

ELKS HALL—FOR ELKS ONLY

Concert 10 to 12

Dancing Favors

Refreshments

$1.50 PER PERSON

NOTICE

To All Members of Federated Shop Crafts of B. & M.—Special

NOTICE. Dec. 30, '23.

To all members of Federated Shop Crafts of B. & M. Meetings for all Crafts called for Thursday Night, Jan. 3, 7.30, in Odd Fellows Bldg.

P. S.—Boilermakers, No. 271, Meet in Eagles Hall, Central St.

G. F. KENNEY, Mach.
A. LAMARRE, Blacksmith,
E. FONTAINE, Boiler Maker,
H. MORSE, Carmen,
M. VAUGHN, Sheet M. Worker,
D. GILCHRIST, Electrician,
F. A. COLLINS, Mach. Helper,
F. A. COLLINS,
Sec.-Treas., Local Fed. of B. & M. Shops.

Labor Unions' Notice

The Trades and Labor Council as well as all Labor Organizations, meeting herewith, will continue to meet at 233 CENTRAL ST.

(Signed)

TRADES and LABOR COUNCIL.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Every member of the Broadway Social and Athletic Association is requested to be present at the rooms this evening at 11.30 to participate in the New Year's celebration. Lunch on will be served.

Signed,

WILLIAM A. WALSH, Pres.

No Sun Tomorrow

Tomorrow being New Year's Day, a holiday, The Sun will suspend publication of all editions.

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ATTENTION

All members are requested to meet at clubrooms TOMORROW, Tuesday, Jan. 1, at 12.30 to participate in exercises of laying cornerstone of new home.

Please try to be as prompt as possible.

Walter E. Turnbull, E.R.

John J. Lee, Secretary.

IT'S TWO TO ONE IN FAVOR OF BOBBED HAIR, BUT PARIS CAMOUFLAGES TO APPEASE CONVENTIONAL RELATIVES

THE FLUFFY BOB (LEFT), THE SEMI-BOB (BELOW) AND THE UNBOBBED TOP-KNOT.

BY MARIAN HALE
N.E.A. Service Writer

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—You behold here the three profiles that are finding most favor in Paris at the present time.

And the proportion of bobbed hair to the unbobbed runs about two to one in favor of the bob, we are further informed. All coiffures are being slightly softened and are becoming more flattering. Hairdressers have learned that all profiles are not so perfect as they may be made to appear, properly co-operating with the locks.

The most popular of all hairdressings, at the present time, is the "garconne," or French clip, which is cut very short in the back and which allows the outline of the head to appear pretty much as nature made it.

While this bob was originally supposed to go uncurled, it is becoming quite the thing now to marcel the hair close to the head, but to leave the ends straight so that they do not in any way destroy the outline of the head. In the front the hair may be slightly more full, if one desires.

The fluffy bob is by no means as smart as the close one, but since it is much more becoming to many types of faces it has its following and holds it.

But even this cut is reduced to take more interest in sticking closer to the head than ever before and is kept as neat and glossy as possible.

Often the ends are curled very tight and close to the head so that the appearance is that of a very close headdress, and a very elaborate one.

Some women, who can't quite get the courage, or the parental consent, to shear the locks entirely, have compromised with a sort of half-and-half treatment. The front is cut and arranged like a regular bob. The portion of the hair behind the ears and on top of the head is left long and is wound into the tightest of knots at the nape of the neck. Or sometimes it is rolled under so that one takes a second glance before realizing that the entire head of hair is not bobbed. In this way a woman may have the effect of a bob and still say to her husband or sweetheart, "of course, dear, I'll never cut my hair without your consent."

Those, however, who have withstood the bob are beginning to feature the topknot. The most popular style is the soft arrangement about the face, parted in the middle or on one side, or just pulled back loosely from the forehead without a part, piled in a soft knot at the back of the head. To call attention to the crowning glory with a jeweled or shell comb is the common practice.

But the peeled effect and the severe hairdress are frowned upon by Paris, and femininity is now the order of the day.

YOU IN 1924

Now it comes to pass that 1924 is a leap year. What are you going to do with the extra day? A facetious question, perhaps, but well worth asking—for the extra day emphasizes the importance of time in our lives, which are all too short. It's wise to round up good intentions and ambitions and start afresh with New Year resolutions. Wiser, still, to realize that EVERY DAY has to be New Year Day unless we want to fall behind the procession. The fine resolutions should be renewed, the high ambitions enlarged, every morning without exception.

January 1 is the time to start. All start. Few finish.

N. Y. TO WELCOME 1924

50,000 Revelers Pay $300,000 for Privilege of Extending Greetings

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—The welcome of 1924 which will be tendered at the threshold of Broadway at midnight tonight will have cost 50,000 revelers something like $300,000 for the mere privilege of extending their greetings.

Special squads of prohibition agents, some of them understood to be from Washington, were listed, incognito, among the 50,000 holding reservations in cabarets, hotels and clubs.

The number of reservations, most of them made at $5 each but many at from $7 to $20, and a few at even more, was one of the biggest in Broadway's memory, and the amount of good which will flow along the Great White Way is expected to surpass the stream of some pre-prohibition New Years' celebrations.

Bootleggers said their deliveries justified predictions that it would be a wet greeting, but hotel and grill managers asserted they would not allow law violations. The federal agents said it would be a dry welcome.

RAPS MELLON TAX BILL

Cong. Garner Charges Movement to Force Congressmen to Support Measure

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Publication of the treasury tax bill, says a statement by Representative Garner of Texas, issued by the democratic national committee, has fully justified the attitude of democratic and western republican congressional leaders in refusing to accept the measure in advance and without the opportunity to scrutinize its provisions.

A "huge organized conspiracy on the part of the predatory interests" Mr. Garner charges, "has been conducting a 'nation-wide congress' to the bill before all of its details could be made known and has "in a large measure, apparently succeeded in the attempt to mislead the public by keeping secret some of the most objectionable provisions."

Mr. Garner, who is the ranking democrat on the house ways and means committee, declares that "plain and convincing evidence of this conspiracy is found in the wording of telegrams and letters being received by senators and representatives in congress, which are in identical language." The signers of these messages, he says, "could not have known all of the provisions of the Mellon tax bill, because most of the messages were received before the bill was made public."

He adds that "only through the insistence of democratic leaders, has the bill been made public in all its provisions" and asserts that it "fails to give millions of farmers, tradesmen and small businessmen the relief they were told they would get."

JOHNSON'S ANNOUNCEMENT

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Dec. 31.—Senator Hiram W. Johnson of California, through his representative last night, placed in the mail a formal announcement of his participation in the Alabama preferential presidential primary.

British labor leaders criticize appointment of Sir Esme Howard as ambassador to the United States, and declare it was made to prevent possible selection of a laborite as a successor to Sir Auckland Geddes.

BALDWIN RETURNS TO LONDON TODAY

LONDON, Dec. 31.—Prime Minister Baldwin is expected to return to London from his Christmas holiday in the country today and an early meeting of the cabinet to complete the king's speech for the opening of parliament a week from tomorrow is foreshadowed.

Newspapers whose avowed object is to prevent, if possible, the installation of a socialist government, renew today stories to the effect that a considerable section of the liberals is dissatisfied with the attitude of Herbert Asquith and other leaders, and is working for an arrangement amounting to a fusion of the liberals and conservatives, to support the Baldwin ministry on some agreed non-party program to keep the socialists out. There is much talk of meetings held and to be held with this object in view, by both the liberal and conservatives but the names of those supposed to be concerned are not given.

The Times professes to be able to correct these reports, the gist of the newspaper's editorial being that Ramsay MacDonald will take over the premiership before the end of January with the full consent of the conservatives and with the assistance of the liberals; that there could be no greater danger than a popular impression that the two traditional parties were prepared to unite "solely to balk labor of an opportunity won by constitutional means;" that the interest of the party leaders have been deliberately settled and that the gloomy predictions of the results of the advent of the socialists to power emanate largely from "the ranks of the panic-stricken plutocrats who have failed to have their way with Mr. Baldwin and whose wild alarm is not shared by the responsible leaders of any of the three parties."

SUMMARY OF EARLY MORNING A. P. NEWS

Constantinople despatch confirms sinking of the United States shipping board steamer Conejos in the Black sea with loss of perhaps 36 lives.

President Coolidge asks American Federation of Labor and Chamber of Commerce to help find jobs for rehabilitated former service men.

Vatican denies knowledge of reported conversations between the archbishop of Canterbury and Cardinal Mercier for reunion of Anglican and Roman Catholic churches.

American people produced more, spent more and saved more in 1923 than in 1922, federal reserve board says in its annual economic survey.

Death in Louisville of Federal Judge Walter Evans, famed for his whiskey decision by which he ruled that the war-time prohibition law was unconstitutional.

John Fowler, for 36 years in the naval and consular services of the United States, and a hero of the Boxer uprising in China, dies at Winchester, Mass.

Celebration at St. Michael's Church

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

The 40th anniversary of the celebration of the first mass in Centralville and the founding of St. Michael's parish will be observed next Sunday, January 6. On this date in 1884, the parish was organized with the late Rt. Rev. William O'Brien as pastor. The first mass was celebrated in the fire engine house on Fourth street. Services were held here until the basement of St. Michael's church in Sixth street was opened on June 22, 1884. The upper auditorium of the church was completed and dedicated on June 24, 1900.

The present pastor of the church is Rev. John J. Shaw, who observed the 41st anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood a week ago yesterday. His assistants at the present time are Rev. James F. Lynch, Rev. Thomas J. Heagney and Rev. Aloysius G. Madden.

In its 40 years of existence, St. Michael's parish has grown to be one of the largest in the city.

CATHOLIC CHURCH NEWS

Union Services in Honor of Holy Name to Be Held Next Sunday

Solemn union services in honor of the Holy Name will be held in St. Michael's and Sacred Heart churches next Sunday. The Holy Name societies of St. Peter's, Immaculate Conception, Sacred Heart, St. Anthony's, St. Margaret's, Holy Trinity, St. Joseph's, St. John's, North Chelmsford and St. Andrew's, North Billerica, will meet in the Sacred Heart church at 3 o'clock. The sermon on the Holy Name will be delivered by Rev. George F. Cox, O.M.I.

The second union service will be held in St. Michael's church at 3.30 p.m. with the Holy Name societies of St. Michael's, St. Patrick's, St. Columba's and St. Mary's, Collinsville, in attendance. The preacher in this church will be Rev. John J. Powers, pastor of St. Columba's.

Tomorrow, New Year's day, will be observed in all Catholic churches as the feast of the Circumcision. It is a holy day of obligation and masses will be celebrated at various hours in the morning, with special services in the evening.

It was announced at all the masses in St. Patrick's church yesterday, that the closing exercises for the class in interior decorating will be held in the school hall next Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. Immediately after the exercises, enrollment will be open for classes in parliamentary law and business English.

The masses tomorrow will be according to the regular Sunday schedule, while the masses on First Friday will be at 5.30, 6.30, 7.15 and 8 o'clock.

The 11 o'clock mass in the Immaculate Conception church yesterday was celebrated by Rev. Arthur Connors, O.M.I., a former Lowell boy, now of Buffalo, N. Y. Rev. James B. McCartin, O.M.I., was the preacher.

Tomorrow's masses will be celebrated according to Sunday schedule. On Friday, the masses will be at 5.15, 6.30 and 8 o'clock. A Te Deum and Miserere will be sung at 7.30 o'clock this evening.

Rev. John J. Powers, pastor of St. Columba's church, delivered a touching eulogy on the late pastor, Rev. Patrick J. Hally, at all the masses yesterday. A solemn high mass of requiem will be celebrated for the repose of Fr. Hally's soul at 7.30 o'clock Wednesday morning.

The Holy Name society will attend communion in a body next Sunday morning and will assemble in the Pawtucket school hall for a communion breakfast after services.

Masses tomorrow will be at 6.30, 7, 8 and 9 o'clock, and on First Friday at 5.30, 7.30 and 9 o'clock.

The Guild of the Little Flower of Jesus of the Sacred Heart church will meet in the school hall next Wednesday afternoon at 3.30 o'clock. In the evening of the same day, there will be a meeting of the C.M.I. Cadet regiment.

Masses tomorrow will be at 6, 7.30, 8.30, 9.30 and 11 o'clock. The masses on First Friday will be at 5.15, 6, 7 and 8 o'clock. Confessions will be heard this evening.

In St. Peter's church tomorrow, masses will be celebrated at 6, 7.30, 8.30, 9, 10 and 11 o'clock. Vespers will be held tomorrow evening at 7.30 o'clock. First Friday masses will be at 5, 6 and 7 o'clock. Confessions will be heard this evening and Thursday.

The masses in St. Michael's church tomorrow will be at [illegible], 8, 9 and 10 o'clock. First Friday, the masses will be at [illegible] and 7 o'clock. Holy Hour will be held Friday evening at 7.30 o'clock. Rev. James [illegible] was the preacher at the high mass yesterday, delivering a forceful talk on the Catholic press.

The hours of masses in St. Margaret's church tomorrow will be 6, 7, 8 and 9 o'clock. There will be two masses on First Friday at 5.30 and 7.30 o'clock.

Daniel Riley, Michael Molloy, John Hession and William McNamara.

The committee in charge of the affair consists of the following: Timothy O'Sullivan, chairman; Michael McCarthy, secretary; Michael Kelley, James Nelson, John Cunningham, Florence Murphy, George Roland, Dominick Molloy, James Stapleton, Thomas Qualey, William Furey, Daniel Coakley and Eugene A. Fitzgerald.

RIVER SEINE CONTINUES TO RISE

PARIS, Dec. 31.—The Seine was rising faster than ever this morning and expert observers said it would probably continue to do so all this week. Parisians are beginning to ask whether they are to live over again the ordeal of the inundation of 1910, when the river passed the 27-foot mark. Crowds watch the swollen yellow stream as it rolls through the city whirling timbers, barrels and miscellaneous wreckage to the sea. The prefect of police visited the flood-threatened suburbs last night and made arrangements with the civil and military authorities for the evacuation and shelter of the inhabitants who, it seems more than likely, will have to leave their homes at no distant date.

ANOTHER GOLD RUSH IN KLONDIKE

DAWSON, Y. T., Dec. 31.—The Klondike is in the throes of another gold and silver rush. At the head of the Beaver river, 50 miles west of Keno Hill, a reported discovery of silver and gold has started a stampede from Keno and from Mayo, the major mining settlement of the Yukon. In the new gold region, it was said official assays revealed pay-dirt running 1100 ounces of silver to the ton. There is gold in the district, too, according to radio messages from Mayo.

PART OF PETROGRAD SUBMERGED

MOSCOW, Dec. 31.—Reports from Petrograd say that part of the city is submerged under the waters of the Neva, which has flooded its banks despite the severe winter weather. Many factories have been inundated. The Neva is full of icebergs floating in from Lake Ladoga. Special sapper detachments are working day and night, dynamiting them.

TO HOLD ANNUAL NEW YEAR'S OBSERVANCE

The annual New Year's observance by the [illegible] association [illegible] rooms in [illegible] of a banquet [illegible] by the members and [illegible] local [illegible].

The banquet [illegible] night. [illegible] and will [illegible] customary [illegible] organization [illegible] by Mayor [illegible] William A. [illegible] the entertainment [illegible] are Fred Connors, Thomas Qualey, [illegible]

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U. S. MISSIONARIES ARE SEIZED AND WOUNDED

PEKING, Dec. 31.—By the Associated Press.—[illegible] of the notorious bandit leader Lao Yao [illegible] captured an American missionary, Mr. [illegible] and wounded two other missionaries, Prof. Bernard Hoff and Mrs. Hoff, in a raid upon the town of [illegible] in northern Hupeh province, near the border town of [illegible], according to advices received here today.

[illegible], Dec. 31.—The three American [illegible] reported captured [illegible] by Chinese bandits [illegible] and representatives of the [illegible] of Lutheran Brethren.

They are [illegible] Bernard Hoff, 52, and Mrs. Hoff [illegible] of Grand Forks and [illegible], N. D., and [illegible] of Northfield, Minn.

Mrs. [illegible] worker [illegible] the [illegible] past [illegible] years there. Mrs. Hoff [illegible] work [illegible] three years, much of the time [illegible] Kiten.

Prof. Hoff [illegible] China two years ago, and [illegible] there last August.

TAFFETA SHAWLS

Taffeta shawls are very quaint and lovely, particularly when they have roses or other flowers scattered over the surface.

POLICE CHIEF DEAD

NEWPORT, [illegible], Dec. 31.—Chief of Police John [illegible] died early this morning.

Advertisers who use The Sun consistently get greater returns on the money invested than through any other Lowell newspaper. There's a reason. The Sun goes into more homes in Lowell and suburbs than any other Lowell paper and [illegible] of Sun readers read no other Lowell newspaper.

TO MAIL MILLION INCOME TAX BLANKS

Approximately one million income tax blanks will be mailed on Wednesday, January 2, in this state to the federal taxpayers. This is almost twice the number that has been sent out in former years, due to the fact that the simplification of the smaller forms made it necessary to send out two kinds to all of the taxpayers, namely form 1040A, only one of which must be returned.

If a year's income exceeded $5000, then form 1040 must be used, and also if the income, regardless of amount, was derived from farming, real estate, incomes, rents, professions or other taxable sources.

In cases where the income was less than $5000 and was received as a salary or wage, form 1040A must be used.

[illegible] the variation of form is [illegible] the use of the larger 1040 [illegible] in cases where part of the income under $5000 is received from sources other than salaries.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.
To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of Palmire F. Jean, otherwise known as Palmina F. Jean, late of Los Angeles, in the State of California, deceased, intestate, leaving estate in said County of Middlesex.
Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to Wilfrid Jean, of Lowell, in said County.
You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Lowell, in said County of Middlesex, on the fifteenth day of January, A. D. 1924, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.
And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court and by mailing postpaid a copy of this citation to the next of kin of said deceased addressed to the last known postoffice address of each, seven days at least before said Court.
Witness, George F. Lawton, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-eighth day of December in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three.
F. M. ESTY, Register
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RACE RIOT AT FORT SMITH, ARK.

Ten Negroes Who Barricaded Themselves in House Surrender to Troops

White Residents Threatened to Lynch Them Following Attack on Woman

FORT SMITH, Ark., Dec. 31.—Ten negroes who barricaded themselves in a house in the Catcher community, five miles from Vanburen, Ark., late yesterday, when white residents threatened a riot as a result of the killing late Friday of Mrs. Robert Latimer, surrendered to National Guardsmen from Ozark, and were lodged in the jail at Vanburen early last night on charges of night riding.

A score or more of negroes were hurried to the Vanburen jail by officers who feared a serious clash between the races. The white population offered little or no resistance to the guardsmen who were ordered to the scene early yesterday afternoon by Governor T. C. McRae.

The 10 negroes who barricaded themselves in a house, surrendered only after Capt. Otto W. Kayer, in command of the detachment of troops, threatened them with machine gun fire. They were assured protection and finally agreed to accompany the troops to Vanburen.

Charles Ruck, negro, father of Spurgeon Ruck, one of the negroes held, is reported to have been shot and wounded by a mob of 150 men, who late yesterday were reported to be marching through the Catcher settlement.

Spurgeon Ruck and another negro, and William Beltis, negro, arrested Friday night and Saturday, and alleged to have been implicated by John Clay, a 15-year-old negro, in the shooting of Mrs. Latimer, were spirited from the Crawford county jail at Vanburen Saturday night when a mob gathered. Both men denied any knowledge of the attack on Mrs. Latimer.

Reports received here early last night from the Catcher settlement were to the effect that all negro residents of the community were being driven out by a mob and their homes burned.

Quiet prevailed in the little community last night and Capt. Kayer said his troops would return to their station at Ozark. No further trouble is feared, the officer said.

Lynching in Florida

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 31.—The body of a young negro, riddled with bullets and his head crushed with an axe, was found in a wooded section near Dinsmore, six miles west of Jacksonville, yesterday afternoon.

Authorities were told by residents of that vicinity that four unidentified white men had carried him to the spot in an automobile, fired several bullets into his body and then one of them struck him on the head with an axe.

Officers have been unable to learn the reason for the lynching, which follows closely the finding of a headless body of a negro in McGirts creek, 12 miles southwest of Jacksonville, last night. The body was weighed down with two pieces of railroad iron and apparently had been in the water about 10 days.

ANNUAL SUMMARY OF MILL DIVIDENDS

FALL RIVER, Dec. 31.—The annual summary of mill dividends for the year 1923, furnished by G. M. Haffards & Co., shows that $3,530,300 was paid out by local corporations during the year, an average of 8.112 plus per cent on a capitalization of $43,515,000. While this amount is considered satisfactory from an investment standpoint, accumulated earnings furnished the wherewithal to pay the dividends in many cases.

WILL CELEBRATE SUCCESSFUL SEASON

Members and friends of the Princeton A. A. football team will assemble at the banquet table in Odd Fellows' hall, Bridge street, at 7.45 o'clock this evening. The occasion is in celebration of a successful season on the gridiron, culminating in a brilliant 0 to 0 tie with the Ponies in the final game of the season.

The toastmaster this evening will be George Walwood, and there will be remarks by Coach Owen Nerney and others. General dancing will follow the banquet.

HORSE BLOCKED TRAFFIC

Owing to the treacherous footing on Central street this morning, a horse drawing one of the carts removing snow slipped and fell across the tracks of the street railway in front of the Strand theatre, effectually blocking all traffic for a short time.

WILL BUILD NEW PIER

At a meeting of the board of trustees of the Memorial Auditorium on Saturday, the architect was given orders to proceed with the construction of a cement pier under the veterans' wing, as an extra element of safety and a preventive of further settling. The work will be done by the engineering firm of C. R. Gow, of Boston, and the cost of the pier will be approximately $1000.

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AMBASSADOR TO U. S.

Sir Esme Howard Succeeds Sir Auckland Geddes as British Envoy

LONDON, Dec. 31.—The resignation of Sir Auckland Geddes and the appointment of Sir Esme Howard, are treated by a majority of the morning newspapers as diplomatic incidents of more than usual interest. The announcements of the changes in the service are printed with the stories of the arrival of Ambassador Kellogg, but with the exception of two or three newspapers there is no comment.

The Liberal Daily News protests angrily against "the indecent hurry with which the moribund government filled the most important position in the diplomatic service."

It contends that "at this juncture of events the ambassador at Washington ought to be a representative Englishman well known on both sides of the Atlantic and with special gifts for strengthening the new understanding which has recently grown up between the two nations."

The Daily News asks whether the premier's frantic haste in appointing Sir Esme was due to fear lest the next ministry should appoint some impossible person.

The Westminster Gazette, whose political views are identical with those of the Daily News, takes the opposite position, saying that as the election of the successor to Ambassador Geddes, "fell to a government awaiting execution, it is right that the ambassador should be appointed from the ranks of the diplomatic corps rather than from the outside."

"That robs the choice of all political significance," continues the newspaper, "it has other advantages, inasmuch as during the next few years relations with the United States must involve many questions in dealing with which diplomatic experience will be most desirable."

The newspaper argues that in the future the United States far more than in the past, must concern herself with affairs outside her own borders, and that the business aspect of diplomatic relations consequently will have more prominence.

MUSICAL SHOW BY K. OF C. AT AUDITORIUM

"Let's Go," has been selected as the name of the K. of C. musical show, which is to be presented in the Memorial Auditorium on the evening of Jan. 15. The title is in keeping with the show, regarded as one of the most peppery presentations yet undertaken by the Knights. The cast, which will meet for rehearsal in K. of C. hall tomorrow night, consists of 100 female and 50 male voices and includes Lowell's best known talent. The producer is Prof. Henry H. Orr of Boston, an expert in this line. The proceeds of the affair will be added to the K. of C. guild.

ANNOUNCE CLASSES IN PUBLIC SPEAKING

Dennis A. Fooley, agent of the state department of education, announces that a class in public speaking is being arranged by the state department, and will meet at the office of the Lowell Electric Light corporation on Friday evenings after the completion of the course there in salesmanship. The agent further announces that he is in receipt of a request from the director of a young woman's club in St. Patrick's parish for a class in public speaking and oral English for women. Enrollment in this class may be made after the graduation exercises of the interior decorating class next Thursday evening.

A course in appreciation of music will be conducted by Stuart Mason in the Lowell high school, beginning on Friday, Jan. 11, at 7.15 o'clock. Prof. Mason is a well known composer and a faculty member of the New England Conservatory of Music.

The course is intended to develop a more intelligent appreciation of music by teaching the essentials of listening. Topics discussed will not be the same as those which were covered in last year's course. No technical knowledge of music is necessary.

Mr. Mason has received from the French government the decoration of "Palmes Academiques" in recognition of his attainments as composer, and as interpreter of old and modern French music. Several of his compositions have been produced by musical organizations. The lectures will be illustrated by piano selection. At the first meeting of the class Mr. Mason will announce the subjects which he intends to cover in the course.

The course may be taken simply as a series of lectures, without outside preparation on the part of the student, or, if the student wishes, the course may be taken for credit. Certificates will be granted only to students who complete the assigned work.

All persons interested are invited to attend the first lecture without charge, and without incurring any obligation to enroll.

Your courtesy in calling this course to the attention of other persons who may be interested in it will be appreciated.

BASKETBALL GAME

The fast Advanced Employed Boys Five who defeated the Athenian Seconds are going to play the Junior Employed Boys in a preliminary game at the Y. M. C. A. Advanced Employed Boys Five challenge the Junior Boys or the Students at the Y. M. C. A. The lineup: Counoundoureas, rf, (captain), Patrinkos, lf, Pascall c, Burns rg, Georges lg.

DEATH OF FORMER LOWELL PASTOR

Rev. Nicholas Tillinghast Whitaker, D.D., of 209 Summer street, Newton Centre, died Friday, December 28, at his home. He formerly held the pastorate of the Central M.E. church in Lowell, where he served from 1908 to 1913. Surviving him are his wife, Helen Locke Whitaker and one son, S. Edgar Whitaker.

Rev. Mr. Whitaker received five college degrees during his active career, included among which were those of A.B. and A.M. from Wesleyan university, B.D. and Ph.D. from Boston university, and D.D. from New Orleans university. His ordination to the ministry was made in 1867, while he was a professor at the Tilton seminary in New Hampshire. After leaving Lowell he held pastorates in the Saxonville Methodist church and in the Islington Congregational church, near Dedham.

DEATHS

EVERETT—Mrs. Lucretia (Clays) (Norcross) Everett, widow of Rufus D. Everett, and daughter of the late Nicholas G. and Sophronia Norcross of Lowell, died in New York city early Saturday morning. She leaves one daughter, Agnes Everett; a sister, Mrs. William R. Hardy, and several nieces and nephews, Nicholas G. Norcross, Mrs. E. N. Burke and Miss Alice Saunders of this city, J. C. Norcross of Cambridge, Fred M. Norcross of Memphis, Tenn., Mrs. Carlo Savini and James G. Hardy of New York and Mrs. Karl Walter of London, England. Mrs. Everett was born in Bangor, Me., July 15, 1841, but came to Lowell when an infant and lived here until her marriage. She had many friends in this city.

CLARK—Mrs. Mary Clark, for many years a well known resident of St. Peter's parish, died yesterday at her home, 27 Madison street, after a long illness. She leaves one daughter, Miss Mary Clark, and two sons, Anthony Clark of the Lowell police department and John Clark in Ireland.

DESROCHERS—Alice Desrochers, daughter of Donat and Florida (Lussier) Desrochers, died Saturday at the home of her parents, 139 Cumberland road, aged 5 days.

BRASSARD—Eliza (Despres) Brassard, widow of Joseph Brassard, died Saturday at the home of her sister, Mrs. Frank Nadeau, Billerica road, Chelmsford, aged 54 years. Besides her sister, she leaves three brothers, Victor Despres of this city and Peter and Joseph Despres of Montreal, P. Q.

McCARTHY—Michael McCarthy, a well known resident of St. Patrick's parish, died yesterday at his home, 159 Cross street. He leaves his wife, Mrs. Jane (Ellsworth) McCarthy; three sons, Andrew A., Daniel and Michael McCarthy, three brothers, James McCarthy of New York, Patrick and Andrew McCarthy of Ireland and three sisters, Mrs. B. McCurrach of New York, Mrs. Hannah Mason and Mrs. Alice Tully of Ireland, and five grandchildren. He was a prominent member of the Holy Name society and St. Vincent de Paul society of St. Patrick's church.

SULLIVAN—Francis Sullivan, son of Joseph A. and Annie V. (Dowd) Sullivan, died Saturday at St. John's hospital. He leaves besides his parents, two sisters Lillian May and Rita, and a brother, Leo Sullivan. The body was removed to the rooms of Undertakers Charles H. Molloy's Sons and will later be taken to the home, 10 Runels place.

SMITH—Mrs. Mary E. Smith, wife of John J. Smith, died this morning at the Lowell Corporation hospital, after a brief illness. She leaves besides her husband, one son, Joseph Smith. The body was removed to the funeral parlors of Undertakers C. H. Molloy's Sons.

KENNEDY—Rita J. Kennedy, infant daughter of John and Nellie (McAnney) Kennedy, died Saturday evening at the home of her parents, 1211 Gorham street, aged 6 months. She leaves, besides her parents, three sisters, Mary, Anna and Helen Kennedy.

WEST—Died in this city, Mrs. Nettie West, aged 71 years, nine months and 18 days at her home, 21 Leroy st. She is survived by a daughter, Nettie M., of Lowell.

FUNERALS

LACHAPELLE—The funeral of Mrs. Denise Lachapelle took place this morning from the home of Mr. Sylvio Garon, 125 Gershom avenue. Solemn high funeral mass was celebrated at Ste. Jeanne d'Arc at 9 o'clock, by Rev. Aurelien Mercil, O.M.I., assisted by Rev. Leon Lamothe, O.M.I., as deacon and Rev. Charles Denizot, O.M.I., D.D., as sub-deacon. The choir, under the direction of Mr. A. Brassard, sang the funeral mass in plain chant. At the elevation, Mr. George Hebert sang "Pie Jesu" by Ignatius Leybach. At the communion, "O Meritum Passionis" was sung by Miss Stella Latour. At the close of mass the impressive "Crucifix" was sung by Mrs. Antoinette Boudreau and Miss Stella Latour. There were other solos by Mr. A. Brassard and Mr. Leo Bilodeau. The bearers were Messrs. Adelbert Audette, Philemond Audette, Joseph Drapeau, Noe Hamel, Albert Hamel and Fortunat Heroux. Ste. Anne's sodality was represented by Mrs. Jacques Hamel, Mrs. Rose L'Heureux, Mrs. Mina Hamel and Mrs. Albert Hamel. Burial took place in the family lot in St. Joseph's cemetery, where Rev. Fr. Leon Lamothe, O.M.I., recited the committal prayers. Funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertaker Joseph Tremblay.

DEVINE—The funeral of Mrs. Margaret Devine took place this morning from the home of her nephew, Mr. Daniel Shea, 256 Mammoth road at 8:15 o'clock and was largely attended by relatives and friends. The funeral cortege proceeded to St. Columba's church where a high mass of requiem was celebrated at 9 o'clock by Rev. Cornelius J. Cotter. The choir under the direction of Miss Catherine Wholey sang the Gregorian mass, Miss Frances Tighe and Mr. Frederick Cummings sustaining the solos. Miss Catherine Wholey presided at the organ. There were many floral tributes and spiritual bouquets. The bearers were Patrick Cashman, John Cotter, Michael Murphy, John J. Shea, Patrick McCarthy and John J. Shea, Jr. Interment was in St. Patrick's cemetery, Rev. Cornelius Cotter reading the committal prayers. Undertaker Peter H. Savage's Son in charge of funeral arrangements.

DOHERTY—All that was mortal of Miss Annie Doherty was tenderly consigned to its final resting place in the Catholic cemetery this morning. The funeral took place from the home of her niece, Mrs. Daniel P. McKenna, 718 Bridge street at 9.15 o'clock and was very largely attended by relatives and friends. The cortege proceeded to St. Michael's church where at 10 o'clock a solemn high mass of requiem was celebrated by Rev. Thomas J. Heavey, assisted by Rev. James F. Lynch as deacon and Rev. Aloysius J. Madden as sub-deacon. The choir under the direction of Miss Margaret Griffin, rendered the Gregorian mass, the solos being sustained by Mrs. Margaret (McDonough) Maguire, Miss Griffin, James E. Donnelly and Mr. Joseph Egan. Mrs. Ella Reilly Toye presided at the organ. There were many floral offerings as well as many spiritual bouquets. The casket was borne by the following bearers, Messrs. Michael Carkill, James McCafferty, Matthew McCafferty, Michael Grourke, William Dunnigan and John Leonard. The burial took place in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery where Rev. Fr. Heagney read the last solemn rites of the Catholic church. The arrangements were in charge of Funeral Director James W. McKenna Sons.

PERRON—The funeral of Wilfrid Perron, a well known French American resident, took place this morning at 8 o'clock from his home, 506 Moody street, and was attended by many relatives and friends from this city and from out-of-town. A solemn high funeral mass was celebrated at 9 o'clock at St. Jean Baptiste church, by Rev. J. A. Pratte, O.M.I., assisted by Rev. Joseph Pelletier, O.M.I., as deacon and by Rev. Emile Bolduc, O.M.I., as subdeacon. The church choir, under the direction of Rodolphe E. Pepin, the organist, rendered the Gregorian chant. The soloists were Arthur J. Lavallee, Dr. G. E. Caisse, Mrs. Edith Pepin and Mr. Pepin. The bearers were Philip Roy, Eusebe Asselin, Damase Asselin, Philip Vincent, Pierre Caron and Achille McKinnon. There were many flowers. Burial was in the family lot in St. Joseph's cemetery, where the committal prayers were read by Rev. Arthur St. Cyr, O.M.I., of Colebrook, N. H. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertakers Amedee Archambault and Sons.

BAILEY—The funeral of Mrs. Jennie W. Bailey, wife of John A. Bailey, took place yesterday afternoon from her home, 17 Columbia street, where services were conducted by Rev. Percy E. Thomas, pastor of the First Congregational church. Appropriate selections were sung by Mr. and Mrs. George E. Burns. There were numerous flowers. The following delegation was present from Evening Star lodge, Daughters of Rebekah: Lillian E. Alister, N. G., Bertha Hoagaboom, V. G., George M. Queen, chaplain, and Lena E. Sawyer, treasurer, who also exemplified the Rebekah burial service at the home. The bearers were Joseph Bowers, Thomas W. Wickers, William M. Bailey, Lester Mills, Frank Sands and Jason Fuller. Burial was in the family lot in the Edson cemetery, where the committal prayers were read by Rev. Mr. Thomas. Arrangements were in charge of Funeral Director John A. Weinbeck.

BRASSARD—The funeral of Mrs. Eliza (Despres) Brassard, widow of Joseph Brassard, took place this morning at 8 o'clock from the home of her sister, Mrs. Frank Nadeau, Billerica Road, Chelmsford Centre. A funeral mass was celebrated at 9 o'clock at St. John's church, North Chelmsford, by Rev. J. E. Dupont. The church organist, rendered the choir, under the direction of Miss Helen Quigley, the organist, rendered the Gregorian chant. The bearers were William Thibodeau, Arthur Loiselle, Joseph Cogan and Zephirin Heroux. Burial was in St. Joseph's cemetery, under the direction of Undertakers Amedee Archambault and Sons.

CARTER—Funeral services for John I. Carter were held Sunday at his home in Main street, Tewksbury. Rev. Herbert A. Mason officiated. The bearers were John P. Carter, Fred M. Carter, William R. Carter and Louis Burneau. Burial was in the Tewksbury Centre cemetery in charge of Undertaker H. Louis Farmer.

TURENNE—The funeral of George E. V. Turenne, son of Rosaire and Marie Louise (Comtois) Turenne, took place Saturday from the home of his parents, 162 Hall street. Burial was in St. Joseph's cemetery, under the direction of Funeral Director Joseph Albert.

BENT—Funeral services for Raymond Bent, son of Mr. and Mrs. Aaron L. Bent, were held at the rooms of Undertaker W. Herbert Blake, 45 Market street, Sunday, Rev. George P. Sturtevant, assistant pastor of the First congregational church, officiating. There were many flowers. Burial was in Green cemetery, Carlisle.

STARK—Funeral services for Guilford L. Stark were held at the rooms of Undertaker Hiram C. Brown Saturday afternoon, Rev. John T. Ullom, pastor of the First Primitive Methodist church, officiating. Burial was in Westlawn cemetery, where Rev. Mr. Ullom read the burial prayers.

DESROCHERS—The funeral of Alice Desrochers took place yesterday afternoon from the home of her parents, Donat and Florida (Lussier) Desrochers, 139 Cumberland road. Burial was in the family lot in St. Joseph's cemetery. The arrangements were in charge of Undertakers Amedee Archambault & Sons.

TETREAULT—The funeral of Joseph J. B. Tetreault took place Saturday from the home of his sister, Mrs. Joseph E. Jemery, 49 Beaver street. A funeral mass was celebrated at Ste. Jeanne d'Arc church by Rev. Leon J. Lamothe, O.M.I. The choir, under the direction of Arthur H. Giroux, sang the Gregorian chant. The bearers were Louis Tetreault, Alphonse Tetreault, Joseph E. Jemery, H. Thibeault, Amedee Lambert and Joseph Lozeau. Burial was in the family lot in St. Joseph's cemetery, where the committal prayers were read by Rev. Charles Denizot, O.M.I., D.D. The arrangements were in charge of Undertakers Amedee Archambault and Sons.

RUSSELL—Funeral services for Mrs. Clara E. Russell were held at her home, 8 Atlantic street, Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. Richard Peters, pastor of the Highland Congregational church, officiating. The flowers were numerous. The bearers were George Russell, Leonard Wheeler, A. Polley and R. Polley. Burial was in the family lot in the Edson cemetery, where Rev. Mr. Peters read the burial prayers. The arrangements were in charge of Undertaker Hiram C. Brown.

KENNEDY—The funeral of Rita J. Kennedy, infant daughter of John and Nellie (McAnney) Kennedy, took place this afternoon from the home of her parents, 1211 Gorham street, at 2 o'clock. There were many floral tributes. Burial was in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery. Funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertakers O'Connell & Fay.

FUNERAL NOTICES

McCARTHY—Died in this city, Dec. 30, at his late home, 159 Cross street, Michael McCarthy. Funeral will take place Wednesday morning from his late home at 9 o'clock. At St. Patrick's church at 10 o'clock a solemn high funeral mass will be celebrated. Burial will be in St. Patrick's cemetery. Funeral arrangements in charge of Undertakers O'Connell & Fay.

CLARK—Died in this city, Dec. 30 at her late home, 27 Madison street, Mrs. Mary Clark. Funeral will take place Tuesday afternoon from her late home at 2.30 o'clock. At St. Peter's church at 3 o'clock services will be held. Burial will be in St. Patrick's cemetery. Wednesday morning at 8.45 o'clock a high mass of requiem will be celebrated for the repose of her soul. Funeral arrangements in charge of Undertakers O'Connell & Fay.

SMITH—The funeral of Mary E. Smith will take place Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, from the funeral chapel of C. H. Molloy's Sons. Burial will be in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery. Funeral arrangements in charge of C. H. Molloy's Sons.

WEST—The funeral of Mrs. Nettie West will take place Thursday afternoon. Services will be held at her home, 21 Leroy street, at 2 o'clock. Friends invited. Burial in Auburn, Maine, on Friday. Undertaker Hiram Brown in charge.

ANNIVERSARY MASS

STAFFORD—There will be an anniversary high mass for the repose of the soul of Edwin Stafford at St. Columba's church, Wednesday morning, January 2, at 8 o'clock. MR. AND MRS. CHAS. STAFFORD, THEODORE STAFFORD.

NEW YEAR GREETINGS BY TEXTILE WORKERS

Cheery New Year greetings "to all the people of Lowell" were this morning issued from textile union labor headquarters, 233 Central street, by John Hanley, active worker in the local trades and labor council and member of the executive board of the New England United Textile Workers of America. The formal announcement containing organized textile labor's heartiest greetings to all citizens, including the representatives of Lowell industrial establishments and business men in general, was as follows:

"To All the People of Lowell:

"In behalf of Lowell's great army of textile workers employed in many of the business activities of our city and who are loyal at all times to civic movements that tend to advance the welfare and prosperity of our homes, business and all good works necessary to keep our city in the forefront of sturdy New England industrial progress, I wish to extend to the people of Lowell without distinction the hearty good wishes of all union textile workers for a prosperous and happy New Year.

"Although the year now closing has not been as prosperous as many working men and women in our city could have wished for, Lowell textile workers I can state with entire confidence are far from pessimistic over the prospects for 1924.

"Confident that Lowell industries will witness a great revival of activities in all important branches during the coming year, and solidly convinced that no backward steps will be taken when our industries are called upon to produce the necessaries of life, the textile workers, whose prosperity and happiness depends upon the promotion of Lowell's industries, have not lost faith in their home city.

"Organized textile workers welcome the New Year confidently. The local labor situation is already perceptibly brightening. No one discounts present slack employment conditions in some mill quarters, but men and women engaged in the local textiles feel that prosperity is now on the way and that it will not overlook old Lowell when it comes to New England in 1924.

"For benefits derived during the year now closing, for cordial support received at all times from many thousands of Lowell citizens who believe in the sound principles of organized labor as affecting the local textile trades in all its branches for the generous aid we have received from brother union labor organizations in Lowell and the country over for the staunch loyalty of brothers in organization ranks who have lawfully fought for justice and proper working conditions, sometimes under discouraging conditions, we extend our cordial thanks in full measure.

"This message is intended for all the people of Lowell and will, we trust, be interpreted as another indication of the sincerity of organized labor in its loyalty to and faith in Lowell and its future industrial life."

Sensational Jail Delivery

Continued

for participation in the $1,000,000 New York mail robbery, for which Chapman was convicted.

Three of the men were thought early today to be in hiding near Macon, Ga. Three suspects were seen to alight from the Royal Palm, a tourist train, as it neared that city, early this morning, after a signal tower man here saw them swing on board the tender of the train near the penitentiary early last night.

With Anderson were Hiram Lepper, 50, sentenced in Baltimore in 1911 for 15 years; Ludwig Schmidt, a German sailor, sentenced in Rochester, N. Y., for 10 years for mail robbery, and Frank Haynes, sentenced in Chattanooga, Tenn., for eighteen months.

The tunnel, barely large enough to admit passage of a human body, was found to lead from the centre of a small tent in the prison tubercular zones to a point 50 or more feet away and outside the big stone wall.

The wardens and guards were at a loss to know how the prisoners conveyed the enormous quantity of loose dirt from the tunnel to a freshly graded spot, 75 feet away from the tent, but thought that the passage had been in process of excavation for perhaps two months and the dirt had been smuggled to the site in buckets.

A small shovel and a lighted miner's lamp were found by officials in the tunnel near the exits.

Entrance to the tunnel was through a trap door, which had been constructed in the wooden floor of the tent. Under the trap door was a drop of eight feet through a hole three feet square in the sides of which had been dug out small steps.

Then the passage ran horizontally to the wall, where it curved down under the foundation until the eight foot thickness of the wall was passed and then went straight up along the wall to daylight.

The quartet are thought to have escaped between 3 and 4 o'clock. Their absence was not discovered until after the 5 o'clock checkup.

Elmira Convicts Recaptured

ELMIRA, N. Y., Dec. 31.—Four convicts who escaped from the Elmira reformatory last night, were recaptured early today by reformatory guards as they were walking along the railroad tracks toward Corning, about ten miles from here. The fugitives offered no resistance.

The four men were "trusties" and last evening were called upon by Superintendent Frank L. Christian to aid in serving dinner to a party of his guests.

Leaving the superintendent's quarters in the front of the building they jumped into a closed automobile owned by one of the guests and sped toward Buffalo.

At an overhead railroad crossing their machine crashed into another car and they took to the railroad tracks on foot.

SHAKEUP IN N. Y. ATHLETIC COMMISSION

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—The first step in the new year's shakeup of the state athletic association occurred today when John Vanderbosch of Syracuse formally resigned as deputy commissioner at a meeting of the boxing board today. He confirmed reports that William Muldoon, chairman of the commission was slated for retirement, by saying that "this is Muldoon's last meeting."

NO MAIL DELIVERIES

In accordance with a decision reached this morning Postmaster Dalton announced that there will be no postal deliveries of any nature whatsoever on New Year's day, Jan. 1. This decision is in conformity with the nation-wide observance of the first day of the year which has been made a holiday in all branches of the government service, and all work discontinued.

RESIGNS AS LOCAL FISH AND GAME WARDEN

Harry L. Gonzales, sportsman and well known Lowell business man on Appleton street, this morning tendered to Mayor John J. Donovan his resignation as local fish and game warden, with the request that such resignation take effect as soon as possible.

The Gonzales announcement was contained in a formal letter transmitted this morning by special delivery and received at the mayor's office about 11 o'clock. The resignation was entirely unexpected and according to a semi-official statement from the mayor's offices, is regretted. Mr. Gonzales will continue in his present position until his successor is appointed, he says.

HARRY L. GONZALES

Mr. Gonzales, who has served for 12 years as local fish and game warden, with credit at all times, sent the following letter to Mayor Donovan:

"Lowell, Mass., Dec. 31, 1923.

"To Hon. John J. Donovan and the City Council of the City of Lowell:

"Gentlemen:

"I respectfully offer my resignation as fish and game warden of the city of Lowell, to take effect on the appointment of my successor. For 12 years I have endeavored to conscientiously carry out the provisions of the law coming within my office in the interests of the public and of sportsmen. My business requires that I be relieved of the duties connected with the position.

"I wish to express my thanks and appreciation to the different mayors and city councils for the favors and courtesy shown to me during my term of office and shall be pleased to continue to serve the public in a private capacity with information within my knowledge touching fish and game regulations.

"Respectfully,

(Signed) "HARRY L. GONZALES."

The Appleton street sportsman stated, after forwarding his letter of resignation, that his relations with Lowell city fathers had been satisfactory at all times. He was appointed fish and game warden by Mayor James E. O'Donnell in 1911. He is a charter member of the Lowell Fish and Game association and was for seven years first vice president of that organization. He has been instrumental in the teaching of foreign-born citizens their duties when engaged in hunting and fishing.

Through leading members of eleven racial nationalities residing in Lowell, Mr. Gonzales has distributed instructions and information to the thoughtless who sometimes ravage woods and fields unlawfully and slay birds of the air and also field game, his campaign acting as a deterrent to much illegal slaughter of wild game and aiding in the protection of songbirds.

Instructions have also been given regarding the danger of forest fires in which careless hunters sometimes figure.

Mr. Gonzales will continue his present activities as warden, he says, until such time as his successor is appointed.

FRENCH GOVERNMENT IN STRONGER POSITION

PARIS, Dec. 31.—The French government will begin the new year in what is regarded in the foreign office as a stronger position than a year ago. France has asserted by acts her purpose to collect reparations with the co-operation of her allies, if possible, but alone if necessary.

The occupation of the Ruhr against the will of the British government was followed by anxious months, but nothing was done on the part of the British government or any other government, except Berlin to embarrass the French occupation. The Berlin policy of passive resistance failed, and the year ends with the French government having made contracts with the German industrial interests for working the Ruhr profitably.

The prestige of France, it is considered, has been immensely increased on the continent by her having been able, regardless of the powerful influence of London, to pursue her conception of national interests. The countries of the little entente have been drawn closer to France during the year. The rearming of Poland, of Czecho-Slovakia and Jugo-Slavia has gone forward assisted by French loans, so that these allies of France are in a more effective position than they were 12 months ago to co-operate with her either against Germany or Russia.

The relations with Belgium have been subject to some strain because the Belgian policy toward Germany is not identical with that of France. Belgian interests are regarded as being partly those of England, in the need for restored markets, and partly those of France, in her attitude toward the collection of damages from Germany.

France has been confirmed with her Syrian possessions by the treaty of Lausanne and the strengthening of her friendly intercourse with the Turkish government.

The French foreign office at the beginning of 1924 finds itself in presence of two grave questions: first, whether British policy is to remain moderately passive toward French aims in Germany, or become actively hostile, and, second, the economic and political decomposition in Germany.

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CONCORD RIVER PROJECT

Rep. Brennan Prepares Resolution Demanding Investigation of Present Condition

Representative Owen E. Brennen, active leader in the latest campaign to safeguard the health of a large number of inhabitants of Lowell by eliminating sewage and other obnoxious waste materials from the Concord river, has prepared a resolution for presentation to the state legislature, demanding an investigation of present conditions along the river territory in this city.

The resolution, drawn up by Representative Brennen and given out today, is as follows:

"Resolved, Providing for an investigation by the state department of health of the Concord river, from a point known as Fordway bridge, in the town of Billerica, to the point where it empties into the Merrimack river in the city of Lowell.

"Be it enacted by the senate and house of representatives in the general court assembled and by the authority of the same as follows:

"Section 1—Resolved, that the state department of health is hereby authorized and directed to make an investigation of the Concord river from a point known as Fordway bridge, in the town of Billerica, to the point where it empties into the Merrimack river, in the city of Lowell, with a view to improve the water of the said river in order to safeguard the health of the people along the course in the town of Billerica and the city of Lowell adjacent to the river, and to report to the next general court not later than the 10th of January."

Representative Brennen stated today that he intends to present the views of many well known Lowell citizens when the time comes to investigate present conditions in the Concord river. He has been assured that he will be widely supported in his present action.

Instead of presenting a legislative bill for enactment, it was believed to be the best policy at the outset of the present campaign to demand an investigation of the alleged Concord river nuisance by state department of health experts, first; these experts acting after legislative orders enactment, of course.

Announcement in The Sun several days ago that Representative Brennen was again about to take up the Concord river problem in behalf of many constituents in his district and bring it forcibly to the attention of the proper health officials in a systematic way, has created much interest about Lowell and vicinity.

East Chelmsford citizens, when informed that Mr. Brennen was planning to push the campaign for a new probe of the Concord river conditions, long obnoxious to many citizens of Lowell and outskirts, today sent an invitation to the representative, inviting him to visit that community January 8, and address the members of the East Chelmsford Improvement association. He will do so.

LOWELL MASONIC CHOIR PREPARES FOR CONCERT

In preparation of its third annual public concert to be given in February, the Lowell Masonic choir is rehearsing regularly a most interesting program.

Lowell folks have come to expect unusually fine accomplishments by this musical group, which in no slight degree makes yearly preparation more difficult and the composition of programs more of a task.

This season, Albert Edmund Brown has upwards of 60 voices in the choir and under his coaching and direction they have attained unusual unanimity of tone. It is a choral organization of acknowledged standing and prestige in the community, a direct asset and contributor to worth-while music lore and capable of even greater achievements in the future.

For the February concert, the choir will be assisted by Miss Jeanette Vreeland, well known New York soprano, and in addition to several groups of songs will carry the solo in Herbert's "Italian Street Song" from "Naughty Marietta." Wilfred Kershaw, the accompanist for the choir, also will appear on the program as an organ soloist. The chorus numbers will include selections by Allitson, Dvorak, Kreisler, Lehmann, Herbert and Beethoven.

During last season the choir appeared several times in Boston and elsewhere, including the Copley-Plaza concert and at Tremont Temple. On both these occasions the music of the choir was broadcasted by radio station WNAC. On October 12, the choir gave a concert at the Masonic home in Charlton.

The officers of the choir follow: President, Ora W. Hardy; vice president, Frank L. Orrell; secretary, Oren E. Webster; treasurer, George F. Wagner; librarian, Albert Wilson; assistant librarian, Frank E. Mills; conductor, Albert Edmund Brown; accompanist, Wilfred Kershaw. The foregoing officers with the following make up the executive committee: David Hird, James F. Flourdines, Arthur B. Smith and Arthur E. Judd.

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THE OLD HOME TOWN

HOWEVER, COMMA—

By JAMES W. DEAN

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—One of the wonders of the present day is the complete harmony, or at least the outward semblance of it, with which the positive, opinionated minds of H. L. Mencken and George Jean Nathan work.

Their newest collaboration is "The American Mercury," a monthly review which is now making its first bow to the public. In this you are likely to find discussion of poetry and politics, socialism and sociology, esthetics and anesthetics, ships and sealing wax. But no new mark is left where the pens of Mencken and Nathan scratch. They are simply working in a larger pasture.

The editorial setting forth the purpose and policy of the new magazine covers three-and-a-half pages of closely set type. All of it is clever and most of it means nothing. In effect they say that their purpose is to isolate individual prophets from the herd and to follow the ponderous revolutions of the mass mind, to attempt a "realistic presentation of the whole gaudy, gorgeous American scene."

Mencken and Nathan are at once high prophets of tolerance and antagonists of the views of any one group of persons. Their tolerance is only for individuals, it seems.

However, the high virtue of the new enterprise is that it engenders free-thinking. It is not for persons of settled habits of thought. It will prove of great value to those who feel that their minds are still in a formative state.

Intolerance springs from ignorance. We condemn only what we half understand, believing that we have a complete understanding.

Since you have heard it said that there's a broken heart for every light on Broadway, The Great White Way where moths fly too close to the candle, where every fellow is out for himself.

However, you haven't listened to Nellie Revell who knew almost everyone in the "Roaring Forties" before she went to the hospital for four years, and who knew them better after she went to the hospital.

I quote from her new book, "Right Off the Chest": "It is the White Way because it pulsates with the milk of human kindness. I have drunk deeply of that nectar and I have never been as proud as I am today that I can call myself a member of both the glorious worlds of ink and of paint that meet and mingle on that street. It is a double citizenship worth staying alive to enjoy."

Pretty phrases about books being our best friends, and other such bromides, have always seemed to me to be trade-catchers for booksellers. However, as I stop to select the books of 1923 which I like best I find that I select them pretty much as I select my friends.

Some of my friends have little or no "class." Some have over-developed minds and under-developed bodies. Others have over-developed bodies and under-developed minds. Indeed, I doubt if among my friends there is one perfect man, or one perfect woman, or one perfect dog or one perfect book.

During 1923 I read 125 books through and lightly touched as many more.

For sheer beauty I like best Willa Cather's "A Lost Lady."

For its high optimism I like Nellie Revell's "Right Off the Chest."

As a novel of generous proportions I like Philip Gibbs' "The Middle of the Road."

For short stories, Sherwood Anderson's "Horses and Men."

To lift the weight of years off my heart, Elizabeth Madox Roberts' little book of verse, "Under the Tree."

Hendrik Van Loon's "The Story of the Bible" because it recreated interest in a more beautiful book, the Bible.

For biography, M. R. Werner's "Barnum."

To keep in mind the valor and the hardihood of the American generations that have gone before, Herbert Quick's "The Hawkeye."

For good old-fashioned melodrama, "New Bodies for Old" by Maurice Renard.

For detective thriller, E. Phillips Oppenheim's "Michael's Evil Deeds."

For a better understanding of the parade that passes us daily, "The Dance of Life," by Havelock Ellis.

For high adventure, "The Last of the Vikings," by Johan Bojer.

To soothe my nerves and quiet my mind, Elizabeth Robins' "Time is Whispering" and Joseph Conrad's "The Rover."

AT ASSOCIATE HALL

The New Year will be welcomed tonight at a monster carnival at Associate hall. There will be dancing until 1 a. m. with Miner-Doyle's orchestra furnishing the music. At midnight there will be a cotillion and noisemakers of various kinds will be distributed. Manager Roane has received a large consignment of favors, novelties and souvenirs and each person will receive a favor. The plans as arranged by the management will be a big surprise to those attending and a most enjoyable night is on the card. Remember dancing until 1 a. m. This event will be one of the best of the present season. Tuesday night there will be a New Year's party with the same orchestra playing. Admission for both these events is 50 cents.

EMBROIDERED IN BACK

A French gown that is original of notions, the is embroidered solidly in the back and is guiltless of any decoration in the front.

REPORT OF DEATHS

For the Week Ending Dec. 29, 1923

Dec.

20—Guilford L. Stark, 70, aneurysm of aorta.

21—Eunice O. Borovoy, 8, diphtheria. Desneiges Albert, 76, arterio-sclerosis. Margaret Farley, 76, ac. appendicitis.

22—Aureamine Boisvert, 17, pulm. tuberculosis. Roland H. Provencher, 5 m., broncho-pneumonia. Anna M. Brock, 39, heart disease.

23—Olga Georgeopoulos, 27, broncho-pneumonia. Cornelius McGurn, 59, endocarditis.

24—Olive A. Burrill, 53, carcinoma. Alfred T. Cates, 77, arterio-sclerosis. Felicite Milot, 69, heart disease. James A. Thompson, 62, carcinoma. Joseph Klaczkowski, 5 m., cap. bronchitis.

25—Laura Luiz, 1, bronchitis. Joseph H. King, 71, carcinoma. Celina Mills, 36, chr. nephritis. Bridget Corliss, 55, cancer. Stanislaw Zylinski, 36, broncho-pneumonia. Napoleon St. Arnault, 57, angina pectoris.

26—Joseph Tetreault, 51, intraabdominal injury. —— Beaudette, 1 d., prem. birth. Samata Apostolakou, 32, ac. pancreatitis.

27—Clara E. Russell, 76, arterio-sclerosis. Patrick McNeely, 51, chr. int. nephritis. Catherine C. Riley, 35, endocarditis.

28—Jennie W. Bailey, 73, cer. hemorrhage.

STEPHEN FLYNN, City Clerk.

BETTER THAN SILK

Lingerie of fine linen, bound with narrow bands of colored linen, is more fascinating than silk in many cases.

Now Claire Scott holds the spotlight as New York's prettiest girl. She won a recent beauty contest and as a reward will be featured in a new movie. These beauty contests certainly seek out pretty faces, don't they?

Gas

Approximately 49,000,000 persons in the United States use Gas for lighting, heating and cooking.

Last year the American people used 325,000,000,000 cubic feet of gas, an increase of 7,000,000,000 cubic feet over 1920, and 20,000,000,000 cubic feet over 1919.

Twenty-two per cent of the total amount of manufactured gas sold is used by industrial plants in more than 1200 different ways.

Gas is now used in 7,040,000 cooking appliances; 1,570,000 water heaters; 1,268,000 space heaters, and 8,800,000 incandescent burners.

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December 31, 1923.

The New Haven System extends to its patrons sincere wishes for a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Realizing your requirements are that **the prosperity of transportation is dependent upon the prosperity of industry and commerce,** the facilities have been largely increased and improved during recent years, with the result that during the season now closing a record volume of traffic has been handled, with high standards of performance. The financial results for the year will show an improvement over 1922, and the prospects for net income for 1924 are encouraging.

It is the policy of the management to continue along these lines, confident that we can give you even more satisfactory service. In turn we come to you, and desire you to continue your helpful cooperation which we greatly appreciate. **The resulting prosperity will be the reward in which the public, the stockholders and the employes will share.**

To an unusual degree the New Haven system and its patrons are sharers of common problems. Our best interest is to be most mindful of the territory we serve; your interest is to [illegible].

Representatives of all departments take pride in their work and wish to give good service. They are striving for the welfare of southern New England and to make the service still better. With an enlarged plant, better equipped than ever before, the New Haven personnel is seeking to win your approval, and is looking forward with confidence to the New Year.

In the large undertaking of transportation, problems are constantly arising. You are invited to take them up directly with the nearest representative of the Company. We all wish to furnish full and accurate information in regard to the matters in which you are interested. **We value your good will. We want your friendship in our endeavor to make the New Haven System one that will take foremost rank along with other New England industries.**

Constructive criticism and suggestions are invited.

On behalf of the Management
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As these calendars are very expensive, being made up in several colors and a different picture for each month of the year, printed on first class cardboard, we can only allow a set of these cards to be given to any person making a purchase at our store, no matter how small the amount may be.

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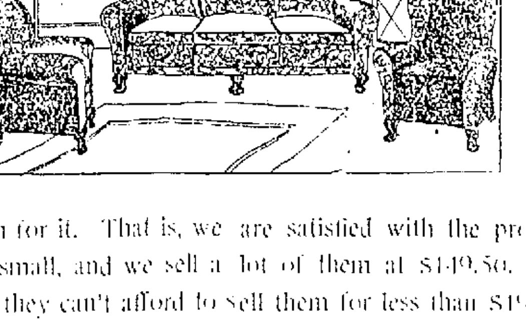

As $149.50 is enough for it. That is, we are satisfied with the profit it brings us, as our expenses are small, and we sell a lot of them at $149.50. Perhaps where they sell only a few, they can't afford to sell them for less than $195.00. But why should you pay the difference? Most anyone can use the extra $45.50 these days—and by the way, $149.50 is our time price, and she could have had a year to pay for it. But we suppose if we sold the same Parlor Suite for $25.00, we would not sell them at all. And of course when they advertise a Mark Down Sale—it's called a $195.00 Parlor Suite marked down to $155.00—a great saving of $40.00, and still it's $9.50 more than our regular price. Bear that in mind. It makes a big difference if a markdown is from an already high price or one that is already a low price.

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LOWELL DISTRICT COURT

Varied List of Offenders Disposed of by Judge Pickman Today

The "standing room only" sign was badly needed at the district court this morning, when Judge Pickman entered to dispose of an unusually long list. Over 300 persons crowded the main floor of the courtroom. The balcony overhead, which could have taken care of part of the big crowd of defendants, witnesses and spectators, was tightly locked.

A number of cases involving drunken operation of autos were on the calendar. The fines were the most lenient in many days, although all fines carried with them scathing denunciations that might be weighed as no small part of the sentence.

Napoleon P. Lemieux was drunk December 22 and drove his auto, taking Chipman Dickie and a jug of Christmas wine for a ride. He paid a fine of $25 on the auto law violation count and the drunkenness counts against him and his companion, being first offenses, were filed.

Henry Arsenault, who was driving while drunk and collided with another auto in Chelmsford, on December 22, paid a fine of $35 and a bill of $100 for repairs to the car which he hit. "It is time to put a stop to the operation of motor car by men whose senses have been blunted and dulled by rum," commented Judge Pickman in passing sentence.

Emile Belanger of Dracut, was fined $25 for driving while drunk and was given three weeks in which to raise the money to pay the fine.

The case of Henry Martineau, charged with assault and battery, was continued two weeks on request. Romeo Barnaby, similar charge, was given a continuance until Saturday.

Frank McNamara, who left a coal truck unattended with the motor running, was fined $6. The truck got loose and nearly went through a window of Moller's furniture store in Middle st. before a passing policeman halted its short spurt.

Joseph Souza, charged with operating an auto after his license has been revoked, was granted a continuance of one week. Harry J. Goldman, charged with misuse of auto license plates, was fined $15. Horace Trudel, charged with motor law violations, two counts, secured a continuance of one week and was released in $200 bail.

Bacchus struck a smart stride in Lowell Saturday night and didn't let up much on Sunday. The week-end blotter at police headquarters showed a fine array of Volstead jeerers taken in the toils. An even dozen first offenders, one of them a woman, were released by the probation officer after they had sobered off. Nine more noted and less fortunate topers made their bow before Judge Pickman in district court this morning.

James F. Walsh, who was assisted to the lock-up by Officer Edward F. Flanagan, was at the head of the class this morning. He finished a four months' sentence for drunkenness Saturday and found himself behind the bars before the sun had set. He has a job to go to at Nashua starting Wednesday and Judge Pickman gave him a chance to try his luck at it, filing the complaint with an adjudication of guilty.

"I'd like to start the New Year right, Your Honor," said Thomas Nagle, ar-

ZERO TEMPERATURES FAR SOUTH AS TEXAS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—The great cold blast from Alaska today had overspread the Rocky Mountain and northern plateau regions, the plains states, the Missouri valley and the interior of the west gulf states, with zero temperatures as far south as the Texas Panhandle.

It was 20 degrees below zero at many points in the northwest and at Yellowstone Park, Wyoming, 31 degrees below was registered.

A disturbance over Lake Erie this morning, according to the weather bureau will move northeastward, attended by general precipitation over the states east of the Mississippi river and it will be followed by decidedly colder weather.

Cold wave warnings have been issued for western Pennsylvania, Ohio, West Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi, South Carolina, northwest Florida, western North Carolina and extreme western Virginia.

Storm warnings are up from Block Island, R. I., to Eastport, Maine.

Snow is predicted during the next 48 hours for nearly all of the east and parts of the southeast.

rested on a drunkenness complaint for the fourth time since June.

"That's an old story; you'll start it right in jail," said the court, imposing a 30 day sentence at the house of correction.

Manuel Sylvia, who got gay with Officer Tim O'Connor, presented a dejected picture. He was a first offender and would have been released by the probation officer had he not been bailed before the jail Santa Claus could reach him. In view of this the complaint was filed and he was discharged.

The star performer of the morning session was Edward Gagnahn, known to court house attaches and others as "the tent alderman," who elected to be his own counsel.

After entering a plea of not guilty to drunkenness Gagnahn struck a true judicial attitude and awaited Deputy Downey to present the state's case. The first witness called was Joseph Carroll, a male nurse at the Chelmsford street hospital. Carroll testified that Gagnahn, who is a steamfitter when he works, was drunk and profane on his arrival at the institution last night and that he, Carroll, called the patrol wagon.

"What do you know of the defendant?" asked Deputy Downey.

"Tell the truth now," interposed the defendant, with a judicial gesture.

"He has been an inmate of the Chelmsford street hospital off and on, mostly on, since 1910. He's a general nuisance; does about as he pleases. He has a habit of coming up the fire escape drunk at 2 or 3 o'clock in the morning, cursing and swearing and telling bawdy stories to the other inmates. No one can get any sleep."

"That's all unless you have some questions," said Judge Pickman.

"Only this, Your Honor," said the "tent alderman." "This is a grudge case. This fellow is a candidate for superintendent at that farm and he knows I'm against him—that's why he's trying to do me."

Gagnahn will not climb the fire escape at the Chelmsford street hospital before next April unless he escapes from the house of correction.

CAN'T LOCATE OWNERS

Many Christmas Packages Remain Unclaimed at the Local Postoffice

As an aftermath of the Christmas rush, there are 35 packages at the postoffice on which there is no return address, and the addresses of which cannot be located. This is slightly less than last year, when there were 42 parcels, of which 40 were located subsequently through the medium of the list published in the newspapers. A list of the addresses on the unclaimed packages this year is appended below, and may be had by the owners, upon establishing their identification at the postoffice. The list:

Pearl Allen, Lowell, Mass.
Wm. V. Antalouis, 28 Mt. Vernon St.
Mrs. Rose Ball, 1535 Middlesex St.
Mrs. Eliz. Connors, 5 Kinsman St.
V. S. Cook, Lowell, Mass.
Cora Dustin, 157 Lowell St.
Mrs. Sarah Dodge, care of Harry Stockwell.
F. J. Davis, 20 Daisy St.
Mrs. Estabrook, 105 Merrimack St.
P. J. Frawley, 165 Middlesex St.
Miss C. S. and R. E. Gaudette, 74 Butler Ave.
Michael Guerin, 52 Tyler St.
James Green, 24 Apple St.
Katherine Gilman, Lowell, Mass.
John Harland, 35 Berkley Ave.
Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Horne, Box 311.
Mary E. Kefauver, Lowell, Mass.
Coan Kenney, 29 Washington St.
Herbert Lavoie, 136 Robbins St.
Mrs. Catherine Liddy, 5 Gilbride Ter.
Vince J. Lamberton, 14 W. Main St.
Master Dick Lather, Princeton St.
Geo. Foo Moon, 39 or 89 Boylston St.
Henry Meredith, 208 Middlesex St.
Mrs. Theo. Mailloux, 28 James St.
Mrs. Motley, 20 River Road
Mrs. Amelia Phillips, Lowell, Mass.
A. Franklin Priest, 196 Merrimack.
Mrs. E. P. Ryan, 375 Chestnut St.
Frank Sterline, 21 Court St.
Mrs. Walter Shaw, Ash St.
M. J. Sullivan, 45 Gorham St.
Manuel Souza, 69 Chapel St.
Arthur Scandal, Box 321.
Mr. Geo. E. Tenon, 39 Meirial St., two packages.

RADIO BROADCASTS

WGI, MEDFORD HILLSIDE

5.30 p. m.—Closing Stock Market reports furnished by Elmer H. Bright & Co., members of the New York & Boston Stock Exchange, Agriograms furnished by the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Live Stock Markets reports, Wool Market news furnished by the Commercial Bulletin of Boston.
6.00 p. m. "Just Boy," a broadcast from the American Boy Magazine.
6.15 p. m.—Code Practice, lesson number 262.
6.45 p. m.—Boston Police reports, Boston Police Headquarters. AMRAD Silent Night.

WNAC, BOSTON,
1050 Kc, 278 Meters
1.55 p. m.—Time signals and weather report.
12.02 p. m. Stock Market quotations.
1.06 p. m. Shepard Colonial Orchestra, selections on the player-piano and phonograph.
4.00-5.00 p. m.—Copley-Plaza Trio, Hymn to Saint Cecile, Valse Brilliante, Nocturne, Danse Macabre, Indian Wail, Trio.
5.45 p. m.—Copley Plaza orchestra, Lowe's State Theatre.
10.25 p. m. New Year's message, by Hon. James M. Curley, mayor of Boston.
10.30 p. m. to 1 a. m. Dance music.
1030 p. m. Copley-Plaza orchestra, Marchera, Rock-a-By-Bo-Lady, Lil Lil Lillian, After A-While, She's Only a Baby.
10.50 p. m. Shepard Colonial orchestra, Bobbed-Hair Bimbos, Don't Waste Your Tears Over Me, Chimes Blues, He May Be Your Good Man Friday.
11.10 p. m.—State Ballroom orchestra, Sunflower Maid, Our Little Home, Bamboo Isle, Stavin' Change.
11.30 p. m.—Shepard Colonial orchestra, Mean Blues, That Naughty Yodel, Beautiful Rose, Pal of My Dreams.
11.50 p. m.—Copley-Plaza orchestra, There's Nobody Else But You, Dear Old Georgia Mammy, Happy New Year, Dream Daddy, Sobbin' Blues.
12.10 a. m. Shepard Colonial orchestra, My Budding Rose, Everybody Likes the Same Sweet Girl, I've Got the Greens, After You've Said Good-by.
12.30 a. m.—State Ballroom orchestra, Sunkist Rose, There's Nobody Else But You, Bobbey, Electric Girl, Blue Rose, Those Mean Mamma Blues.

WEAF, NEW YORK
610 Kc, 492 Metres
7.30 p. m.—Sport talk.
7.40 p. m.—Fannie L. Todd, soprano, accompanied by A. V. Llufrio.
7.50 p. m.—Scott Blakeley, Scotch tenor.
8.05 p. m.—Fannie L. Todd, soprano.
8.15 p. m.—Scott Blakeley, tenor.
8.30 p. m.—Philharmonic Society of New York in the fourth of ten educational concerts for students, from Carnegie Hall, John Powell, pianist, assisting artist. Program: Anacreon overture (Cherubini), Symphony No. 7 (Beethoven), Concerto in D Minor

DRY AGENTS KEEP "OPEN HOUSE"

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Divisional offices of the prohibition unit throughout the country will keep "open house" tonight in a concerted effort to prevent New Year's parties from violating the prohibition law.

Prohibition officials declared today that with extra precautions being taken everywhere, it seemed certain the old year would pass out in a perfectly legal manner.

(Tchaikowsky), Symphonic Poem—Les Preludes (Liszt).
9.15 p. m. to 11.45 p. m. West End Ladies' Trio, consisting of Ethel Nugent, pianist; Adele Muys, violinist, and Sadie Kempler, 'cellist, with May Singhi Breen, banjoist, and Peg Wanamaker, pianist.
11.45 p. m.—Broadcasting of chimes from Trinity church, New York city, played by William R. Murray, Jr. Chimes Program: Silver Chimes, Hail Columbia, Who Is Sylvia? Bonnie Highland Lassie, Old Kentucky Home, Nearer My God To Thee, Lead, Kindly Light, Flow Gently, Sweet Afton; Columbia the Gem of the Ocean; America, Home, Sweet Home; Auld Lang Syne.

WGY, SCHENECTADY
790 Kc, 380 Meters
9 p. m. to 12 Midnight Community Watch Night service of First Methodist Episcopal church, Schenectady, N. Y. Invocation, Rev. P. A. MacDonald, pastor State Street Presbyterian church. Violin and organ recital, Legende, Farewell to Bohemia, Souvenir, Serenade, Hymns, O Worship the King, He Leadeth Me, Onward, Christian Soldiers, the congregation, led by Young People's Chorus, contralto-baritone duet, The Lord is My Light; prayer, Rev. A. W. Rogers, pastor Emmanuel Baptist church, responsive reading, Psalter, Rev. R. W. Anthony, pastor First Presbyterian church; anthem, How Beautiful Upon the Mountains, Charlotte Bord Gilbert, Mayfred Spooner, John Lloyd, Fred A. Heacox; offertory, Cavatina, Mrs. J. Williams Loan; Doxology; bearing of American flag to altar; soprano-baritone duet, Angels of Light, Charlotte B. Gilbert, Fred A. Heacox, hymn, Am I a Soldier of the Cross, congregation; address, What the New Year Means to Me, Dean H. H. Horner, State Teachers' College, Albany, tenor-baritone duet, Watchman, What of the Night? address, What the New Year Means to Me, Dr. W. J. Swart, member First Presbyterian church; anthem, God So Loved the World, quartet; address, What the New Year Means to Me, Prof. C. N. Waldron, Union college; anthem, O For the Wings of a Dove, quartet, prayer, Rev. G. H. Baker, pastor First Baptist church; address, New Year Message, Rev. George Elliott, D.D., closing minutes, The New Year Dedication, Rev. Philip L. Frick, pastor First Methodist Episcopal church; New Year chimes; benediction, Rev. H. H. Murdock, pastor Trinity Methodist Episcopal church.

WJZ, NEW YORK
660 Kc, 455 Meters
7 p. m. Animal stories by Mrs. Renee Riggs.
7.30 p. m.—Dogs, by Frank Dole.
8.15 p. m.—Literary minutes.
8.30 p. m.—Organ recital.
9.25 p. m.—Musical program of the Mark Strand Symphony orchestra.
11.45 p. m.—New Year's eve chime service on the chimes of St. Patrick's cathedral.

KDKA, PITTSBURGH
920 Kc, 326 Meters
6.15 p. m.—Dinner concert by KDKA Little Symphony orchestra.
7.30 p. m.—Radio Girl Scout meeting conducted by Laura Holland.
7.45 p. m. The children's period
8 p. m.—Market reports.
8.15 p. m. Address by a representative of the Pittsburgh Quota club.
8.30 p. m.—Concert by the Ohio Wesleyan Glee club of Delaware, O.
9.55 p. m.—Arlington time signals. Weather forecast.
11 p. m.—New Year's eve service from the Point Breeze Presbyterian church.

WBZ, SPRINGFIELD,
890 Kc, 337 Meter
6 p. m.—Dinner concert by the WBZ Trio.
7 p. m.—This week in history. Late news from the national industrial conference board. Humorous program.
7.40 p. m.—Bedtime story for grown ups.
9.55 p. m.—Arlington time signals.
7.30 p. m.—Twilight tales for the kiddies.

Engaged in Big Battle
Continued

materials to the Obregon government of Mexico.

Secretary Hughes discussed the subject at length with Secretary Weeks, who said afterward that several points remained to be settled before the war department orders Major General Edward M. Lewis, commanding the eighth army corps area, to turn over the purchased property to Obregon representatives at San Antonio.

The exact quantity of materiel to be sold has not been revealed, but it apparently will be confined to rifles, ammunition and airplanes. In connection with an assertion by representatives of the De la Huerta faction in Mexico that the Obregon government also asked for some light cruisers, attention was called today to the provision in the Washington naval treaty.

"Each of the contracting powers undertakes not to dispose by gift, sale or any mode of transfer of any vessel of war in such manner that such vessel may become a vessel of war in the navy of any foreign power."

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 31—Telegraphing to the Mexico City headquarters of the railwaymen's federation from Irapuato, President Obregon denounced as "calumnious" the charge in cables of United States railway men from Vera Cruz to the effect that the federal forces had ordered the execution of five railroaders at Santa Lucrecia, state of Vera Cruz. The federation is investigating for the purpose of telegraphing a denial to fellow workers in the United States, should the charge prove unfounded.

VERA CRUZ, Dec. 31—(By the Associated Press) Rebel forces under Gen. Cavazos are marching on Pachuca, capital of the state of Hidalgo, situated 55 miles northeast of Mexico City, according to advices received by rebel headquarters here.

Cavazos, who is operating independently of the main body of the insurrectionists, is said to have considerably increased his forces, having been able to extend the insurrection to a large area in the states of Puebla and Hidalgo. Before beginning his march on Pachuca, capture of which the rebels claim would present a serious menace to Mexico City, he occupied the important railway town of Tulancingo. The rebels claim that on the basis of their latest reports, Pachuca has either been taken by this time or is on the verge of surrender.

The authorized statement obtained Saturday at the state department relative to the proposed sale made no mention of any request to purchase naval vessels. It is obvious, however, that the United States government as a party to the naval treaty would be foreclosed from selling to Mexico any vessel of war.

The question of payment for the war materials still is to be worked out through the secretary of war, and it was made plain today that only the question of general policy was considered by the state department in connection with the transactions.

In view of the general attitude of the Washington government that it could not avoid assent to sell the material to the Obregon government, without being guilty of an unfriendly act toward a government with which it had just entered into complete diplomatic accord, it is assumed that the price to be fixed by the war department will be based upon the figure that could have been obtained at an ordinary surplus war stock sale.

It was denied specifically at the state department today that Charles B. Warren, member of the commission which negotiated the claims conventions with the Mexican government, had played any part in the granting of Mexico's request.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS IN 5500 STABLES

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—In each of the 5500 stables housing a thoroughbred horse there will be occasion for a birthday celebration today.

For the new year brings with it another year added to the age of every one of the country's race horses, regardless of the time of foaling.

Thus Zev, the greatest of 1923 three-year-olds, enters the four-year-old handicap class tomorrow, because of the arbitrary birthday established to bring uniformity of ages for classification [illegible] Likewise In Memoriam and My Own will [illegible] become four year olds.

Many colts entered the yearling class though barely able to be away from their mothers. A class of nearly 500 yearlings became two year olds and will get the first competition of their lives during the coming season.

It is explained by followers of the turf that the uniform horse birthday was long ago established in order to make classification of race horses more uniform. They point out that while some horses born on Dec. 31, may be handicapped by being immediately placed in the yearling group the great number are foaled early in the new year and graduate gracefully into their classes.

NOT TO RUN FOR GOVERNOR

LEWISTON, Me., Dec. 31—Congressman Wallace H. White of this city in a telegram received here today, definitely announced that he would not be a candidate for the republican gubernatorial nomination.

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MAY FORM MARINE CORPS LEAGUE POST HERE

For the first time since the organization of the U. S. Marine corps 147 years ago, an effort is being made to form a veteran's league, composed entirely of former members of the "Devil Dog" outfit, which has won such fame in all our wars. In this connection however, Gen. John A. Lejeune, national drive with the object in view of forming commandant, has instituted a national posts in the various localities where there are "vets" of the Marine corps.

The Marine Corps League will be non-partisan, non-sectarian, and non-political, and all men and women who served or are serving in the marine corps or its reserve will be eligible for membership. Associate membership will be extended to members of the army and navy who have served with the marine corps on detached service.

It is necessary to secure 10 members to get a local charter and the old "leathernecks" who are interested are asked to get in touch with Robert W. Dodge, at the Chalifoux Co.

The stated objects of the league are:

To uphold the constitution and laws of the United States.

To preserve the traditions of the United States Marine corps.

To further the aims and ideals for which marines served their country.

To aid and work for members disabled through war.

To perpetuate and honor the memories of those who died for their country.

To promote comradeship, good will and hospitality among all marines.

To disseminate information in regard to legislation—state and federal—beneficial to the members.

To work for adequate national defense.

To make the slogan, "Once a Marine, Always a Marine," and the motto, "Semper Fidelis," nationally known.

Lose Your Fat, Keep Your Health

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DIAMONDS
MOWER—LOWELL'S WATCHWORD
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SACRED HEART CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS

The installation of the officers for 1924 was held yesterday afternoon in the rooms of the Sacred Heart Social club by James E. Burns, who acted as installing officer. The officers installed were: President, James L. Keenan; vice-president, John J. Sheehan; recording secretary, Timothy F. Sheehan; financial secretary, Patrick J. Currie; board of directors, Peter J. Flynn, chairman; John Boyle, Joseph Jennings, Theodore Haggerty and Howard Hartley; literary committee, Arthur Conway, chairman; George McMahon, Joseph Ryan, William Maguire and Francis Finnegan.

Mr. Keenan, an all-star basketball player on the Lowell Five and Butler A.A. last year, thanked his fellow-members for the honor bestowed upon him, promising to do his utmost for the club and its members and asking the co-operation of all that the club may have as successful a year as the previous one in which so much has been accomplished.

Following the installaton a fine musical program, including vocal and instrumental selections by members, was capably given. During the course of the program remarks were made by Rev. Denis A. Sullivan, O.M.I., who spoke of the excellent work accomplished by the club and wished the members a most successful and fruitful year.

The singing of the "Star Spangled Banner" brought the meeting to a close.

On Wednesday evening, Jan. 9, the club will hold a ladies' night, one of the many entertainments on the program for winter entertainments by the local organization. At this entertainment the chorus for the coming minstrel show will be chosen.

ELKS TO LAY CORNER STONE TOMORROW

Members of Lowell Lodge, No. 87, B. P. O. Elks, will meet at the Middle street club rooms at 12.30 tomorrow noon to march to the new home in Warren street, where the cornerstone laying is to take place.

District Deputy McCarron, Congressman John J. Rogers and Mayor John J. Donovan are to be the speakers. An impressive program has been arranged.

GORGEOUS LINING

Gold and silver lame are sometimes used to line the more elaborate coats and capes of black velvet or wool.

NATIONAL LEATHER CO.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—President George H. Swift of the National Leather Co., has been elected chairman of the board and vice president W. B. Fisher advanced to the presidency.

FIRE WRECKS AUTO AND DAMAGES GARAGE

An alarm from box 513 at 8.19 this morning called the apparatus to the plant of the John C. Meyer Thread company on Middlesex street, near Pawtucket, where a garage and automobile were on fire. The fire evidently started in the auto, which is owned by Fred Timmons, an employe of the Meyer company, and spread to the garage, damaging the interior to the extent of several hundred dollars. The automobile was almost a total loss. The recall was sounded at 8.30 o'clock.

At 6.16 this morning a still alarm summoned the apparatus from the Central fire station to the Bigelow garage on Market street, where a truck owned by Peter Vlahos was on fire. The fire was confined to the truck and the damage was slight.

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THE NEW YEAR

As the old year passes out, we glance backward to see its record in its unusual events; and so far as Lowell is concerned as compared with other cities, the closing year is not one to be recalled with unusual regrets to any great number of our people. True, there has been a slight dullness in business, but this is a mere trifle compared to the panics we have experienced in the past when the factories were idle and a vast number of people had little or no reserve funds to tide them over the depression.

Although several factories have been running on short time, very few have suffered as a result. The places of amusement have been patronized as freely as in the most prosperous times, which indicates that the depression in the textile industry has not had serious effects thus far. As for the New Year, there is confidence of improved business on all sides. It will be fraught with the excitement of a national election; but the republicans will do their utmost to keep the industries of the country quite active and apart from this, it appears that we are on the eve of a very general improvement in industrial conditions.

Economists and others competent to judge of the conditions ahead, are quite confident that the New Year will bring increased industrial activity with plenty of work for everybody. The proposed reduction of tax burdens that have discouraged enterprise and placed obstacles in the path of business progress, will result in a great step forward and improvement in every line of business. This and many other indications of a similar kind offer ample ground for optimism in entering upon the New Year; and without this spirit of self confidence and courage, there can be no success anywhere. In thus hopefully crossing the threshold from the old to the new, The Sun wishes to each and all a happy and a prosperous New Year.

DISTRICT COURT PROBLEM

This community is practically of one mind upon the necessity of new quarters for a district court and to give effect to this sentiment and take practical steps towards remedying the situation in a proper manner, Rep. Corbett a few weeks ago filed a bill with the clerk of the house authorizing the county commission to borrow a sum not exceeding $400,000 for the purpose of providing a district court building for Lowell or suitable quarters in some other way. This move by Mr. Corbett caused the county commission to prepare a measure of its own, the provisions of which are not yet definitely known.

It has been proposed in some quarters that the district court and the police station as well, might be moved to the jail, but to this the police department, the Bar Association and, I believe, the majority of our citizens are sternly opposed. Such a change would not be acceptable as a remedy for the present situation. The jail is too far removed from the centre of the city and it is not reached even by the street cars. The building is all right for a jail, but as a location for the Lowell police station or the local district court, it is unthinkable. The county would be glad to unload the jail on the city, but I doubt whether the mayor and city council could be induced to favor any such proposition.

The proposal of the commission to build an extension to the court house on Gorham street for a district court is objectionable in many ways, and hence, it is sincerely hoped that a more acceptable solution of the problem will be found. It would seem that a mutual understanding that would be satisfactory to all concerned, might be reached by a conference between the commission and the mayor and city council. Otherwise if is expected the city government will favor the Corbett bill, but the final decision will rest with the legislature.

GERMAN DYES AGAIN

Germany has a dye trust, one of the largest organizations in industrial Germany. For years this trust has held away over the world's demands for needed dyes. Notwithstanding the remarkable advances made by American chemical engineers, there are still dyes made in Germany that no other nation can produce. That is the reason why American textile manufacturers today are always worrying because certain German-made dyes do not arrive in time to be used in certain cloth manufacturing processes.

Now we learn that Germany is once more prepared not only to renew her dye industries from the bottom to the top, but regain her old prized monopoly of the world's markets which was broken by the World war and has remained somewhat stagnant since the armistice.

No doubt Germany would delight to wreck the present industry in the United States if she could. Although one recent attempt was repulsed, the Germans are preparing steadily to reestablish their dye manufacturing interests in America once more. Germany's latest method is to divide the great trust operating in that country into many smaller concerns, each German company seeking an alliance with one of our larger companies here in this country. The aim is to destroy ultimately all smaller American concerns.

We are informed that at the present time, the United States is independent in the dye field. Labors passed its worst stage, and there is no reason why we shouldn't keep ahead of all other countries of the world from now on, not excepting Germany. If the latter country secures a new foothold in this country, it will be because American manufacturers, who in many instances were in the habit of trading with Germany for required dyes, set aside their patriotism for the time being and encourage our former foes in their latest endeavors to regain their supremacy in an important field of world trade.

BERTON BRALEY'S POEM

We have often wondered how many of our readers fully appreciate the daily poem by Berton Braley printed in the upper right hand corner of the editorial page.

For our own part we enjoy it immensely as it is usually of the sparkling, light and airy kind that diffuses sunshine and causes one to take a new and perhaps a more optimistic view of life in general. Mr. Braley does not indulge in metaphysical complexities, nor affect the obscure profundity of Browning. He just writes in plain mellifluous language with rare simplicity and every poem he writes has some catchy point that is well worth remembering.

It is said that poets are gifted with what is known as the divine afflatus, and certainly Berton Braley is so endowed, or otherwise he could not keep up the "poem a day" contract and have each as fresh as if it were his first and only one. We hope that all the readers of The Sun will read this poem daily and imbibe the wholesome sentiments therein presented by this gifted writer.

Usually poets write only when under a sort of inspiration; but the writer who agrees to turn out a poem a day, we surmise must often write under pressure and without the aid which the Muses are supposed to offer. But no one would suppose that Mr. Braley's poems were so written inasmuch as they are as fresh and as fragrant as the breeze from the wild-wood, or that which comes laden with sweet echoes from the heights of Parnassus, where the strains of divine music and song emanating from the temple of the Muses, allure the gods from their home in Olympus.

To Berton Braley who weaves the daily garland for Sun readers, we send the greetings of the season and wish him and his'n a happy and a prosperous New Year.

A QUALITY COAL TIP

A bulletin from the chief engineer of an association of 2,0[illegible] refreshing coal, more to anthracite coal, was overlooked in the mass of similar communications mailed in the direction of Lowell and vicinity recently. One interesting paragraph in the bulletin now at hand, refers to the "future of lesser coal" thus:

"These coal mines which have failed that is, by nature, honest and whose owners make it better, if possible, by sifting and sorting out the removable impurities, are being put on the preferred buying lists of those who know what 'quality coal' is, and will go on producing and selling coal. On the other hand, those who are, day by day, learning to discriminate between good coal and bad are growing more numerous, and the buying by this increasing number is steadily reducing the number of mines qualified to stay in business. In this way industry is being freed of carrying the load, the burden of unprofitable investments in worthless mines and in the millions of railroad cars now hauling waste materials mixed in with coal."

HE LIVES HIGH

Judge Cohalan of New York must be a high liver, if his salary of $12,500 is not sufficient to support his family. The members of the cabinet at Washington live in style and are paid but $12,000 each. Cohalan has other reasons for resigning and one may be that he could not get re-elected. It is also said Justice Cohalan will manage the campaign of Senator Reed of Missouri for the democratic nomination for president. He could not do this and remain on the bench. He is a well known lawyer and can probably earn more in the practice of law than by remaining on the bench.

For the next few weeks the candidates will besiege city hall to the discomfort of the mayor and the council. But that is one of the penalties of office holding.

Yo youngsters wait for skating at Shedd park, where you will not be drowned even if you do break through. gweilesaswellinkyig

A Happy New Year to all.

THE MAN ABOUT TOWN

Members of Court Gen. Dimon, F. of A., are planning a trip to Lawrence next Thursday evening. The local court is anticipating one of the best winter rallies of Foresters in this section of the state. Court Montgomery of the down-river city will entertain and the Lowell court hopes to have a large delegation of local fraternal brothers make the journey. All Lowell courts, F. of A., will be represented at the rally.

Women real estate agents are no longer rare. Many cities in New England today have the names of representative business women who deal in real estate of all kinds and perform their part in the realty salesmanship world with honor and wisdom. Even the nearby town of Chelmsford can boast of an active real estate agent of the feminine gender. I refer to Mrs. J. A. Fletcher, who advertises regularly that she has real estate listed for conveyance to buyers seeking properties in that territory.

Time for argument before the interstate commerce commission on the subject of railroad consolidation has been assigned to cover six days beginning Jan. 7. Counsel for railroads and interests concerned in the tentative plan for general consolidation of the railroads of the United States will be given opportunity at that time to discuss the evidence and showings which have been elicited by two full years of hearings before the commission and its examiners. The commission takes up on Tuesday of the "argument week," the New England situation, concluding discussion of this territory on Wednesday. Boston is to be liberally represented at the hearings and we understand that Lowell will be also. The railroad question in New England should be settled once and for all.

We note with some interest that the state minimum wage commission has decreed a minimum wage of $13.20 per week for women employed in the manufacture of druggists' preparations. Our first thought is that $13.20 is little enough, but it is about the weekly budget upon which the board arrived at and upon which it based its finding that we intend to speak. This budget, by the way, purports to cover the amount necessary to enable a self-supporting woman to meet the cost of living and maintain her health. It totals $13.20, the minimum wage decreed by the commission for a woman, who lives respectably without assistance from any source.

Although the reproduction of the budget in detail may constitute a repetition of an article in the news columns, it is given herewith:

Board and lodging	$ 8.00
Clothing	2.00
Laundry	.50
Carfare	.40
Doctor, dentist, oculist	.25
Church	.15
Vacation	.40
Recreation and self-improvement	.55
Reserve for emergency	.50
Incidentals	.20
Insurance	.25
Total	$13.20

Let it be said at the outset that your column-writer today is not of the gentler sex, nor does he know any woman among the many who doubtless earn a living by the manufacture of druggists' preparations. We start unbiased, therefore.

Consider the above budget, consider it carefully and tell me if you can, how far a manufacturer of druggists' preparations, or any other woman for that matter, can "get by" on the amount named. How far or how often can a person ride newadays in a week on the electric cars for 40 cents? How much of a vacation can a person enjoy on the accumulations of 40 cents per week for 50 weeks, totalling $20? What "incidentals" can be purchased for 20 cents a week and also, what are these self-same "incidentals"? "Church," assigned 15 cents weekly, gets little enough and 50 cents will not take care of an "emergency" of any great magnitude, unless it be the need of 25 two-cent postage stamps. In like manner, "Recreation and Self-Improvement" will not allow for much riotous living on the expenditure or saving of 75 cents between Saturday and Saturday.

James H. Spaulding, for 55 years a freight conductor on the New York, New Haven & Hartford lines and known to all old timers on the Old Colony division running out of Lowell to Framingham, plans to retire for keeps and turn in his lanterns, receipt books and time cards down at the Bridgeport portal of the line. James has "freighted" it all over the New Haven from New York to Boston and all over the "side lines" such as the Lowell-Framingham. He was a great friend of travelling circus men and was on one train that hustled Barnum & Bailey's circus to Lowell from Fall River, one night in early June. Both stopped at the old Washington Tavern the next day and shook hands warmly when their fraternal badges were recognized by the ring emblems each wore. Ransom also, made in the Tavern dining room and sat around more across back Central street in a little barber shop that stood very nearby. All the circus men know Spaulding as "Uncle James." Peanuts he freely dispensed to the kids in his resting days from now on.

The season 1923 of the musical show is destined to be the last ever conducted by the local company in the estimation of Lowell's citizens, who is chairman of the committee in charge of this annual affair. Mr. Collyer ought to know when a thing is good, as he has witnessed innumerable productions in the past and has had a wide personal experience in things theatrical. As head of the production now in the making, he has worked diligently to insure its success and promises it will be something unusual in the line of modern minstrelsy.

As a strong incident as related in the Providence Tribune concerning the recent arrest of the Oberammergau Passion players in this country. Stewards on the ship which transported the famous characters to America called the actors by their biblical names in the Passion play. When the steamer docked at New York a short time ago, one of the stewards called out to a baggage porter, "Say, Joe, tell St. Peter that St. Mathew says he can find his umbrella and wants to know if Judas has taken it by mistake."

During the last few days, a prominent local stock exchange has been agog over the rumors that Lieut. Osgood Wood had accumulated a fortune of nearly a million dollars by dabbling in stocks. Frequenters of local office have talked the matter over. Once it was announced in the press a few days ago and all are agreed that the rumor is unavailable. To the uninitiated, the stock exchange board is certainly a conundrum, and I frankly and gladly admit that I am numbered among the non-speculating class.

SEEN AND HEARD

Buy a new dress. Tell him you made it, claim your clothes cost a dollar a month. You can marry him.

Get all cleaned up. Put on a gingham apron. Let him supposedly find you at work. Propose quickly.

Look your best even when you feel your worst. You will have time to feel bad after you marry him.

"Eph, I'll give you ten dollars to have your picture made in the cage with that lion." "No sir, boss, not me." "He won't hurt you; he hasn't got any teeth." "Mebbe so, but I ain't going to be gummed to death by no old lion, nuthah."

Little Lillian Bauneman. Lovely red, white and blue button. "Vote for Kelly." Inquisitive little Lillian. Wonder how the lovely red, white and blue button tastes? "Mamma!" Castor oil! Ambulance! Bellevue! X-ray! More castor oil. Everything all right.

Philip Lang, chauffeur for the Brownsville Station patrol wagon, spilled gasoline on his coat sleeve while filling the car's tank yesterday, entered the station house and tried to light a cigar. Mail will reach him at St. Mary's hospital, Brooklyn.

A Thought

Virtue alone is sweet society,
It keeps the key to all heroic hearts,
And opens you a welcome in them all.
—Emerson.

No Experience

At the club they were talking of germs and germ carriers. One member maintained that kisses carried germs. Another considered paper money the chief offender. "Your opinions are merely vague guesses," declared the third. "What have the scientists found out on the subject?" Nobody knew. A college professor drifted in and they called on him. "We were discussing germ carriers, professor. What do the scientists have to say about kisses and paper money?" "Kisses and paper money, eh?" echoed the professor. "The average scientist has had little experience with either." —Chicago News.

Could Spare One

Miss Margaret Woodrow Wilson told this story at a dinner in Washington: "Theodore Roosevelt was out bear hunting. He stopped at a backwoodsman's cabin for snack one day and while he ate his snack he stared out of the window, so as not to miss any bears that might pass by. Suddenly he gave a loud, indignant yell. 'My goodness me,' he said to the backwoodsman, 'haven't you got any better sense than to let that little child out here play with a loaded gun? Why, it's a terrible dangerous thing.' "'Aw, I dunno,' the backwoodsman drawled. And then he bit off a chew from a big plug and added, 'I got 16 other children.'"

In Those Days

A young husband criticized the biscuits his bride served him for breakfast, employing the usual stereotyped comparison. Instead of weeping, as some brides would, she got busy, and as a result of her work she set before him the next morning a plate of hot biscuits alleged to be the real thing. "Now you've got it," he exclaimed delightedly as he sampled the new lot. "These are exactly like mother used to make. How did you happen to hit upon the recipe?" "It's no great secret," said his wife, with glittering eyes. "I put in oleo instead of butter, used cold storage eggs, dropped a bit of alum in the flour and adulterated the milk. Remember, sweetheart, that mother lived before the enactment of the pure-food law."—Pickup.

Vague At Times

Lord Meath, who was the godson of Mrs. Gladstone, says that his godmother was rather vague at times. "On one occasion," he continues, "I received an invitation to dinner from her, written on a half-sheet of paper, and on turning it over I found it was a tradesman's bill, and across it, in red ink, were written the words, 'This is the 19th application.' On another occasion, when I was quite grown up, I took the chair at a public meeting and on the platform on one side of me sat my mother and on the other side sat Mrs. Gladstone. She seemed very pleased with the speech I made, and after I had finished my remarks she said to me mother, speaking across me, 'May I kiss him?' and without waiting for a reply she embraced me before the whole meeting. I was still, in her eyes, the little godchild she had so lovingly watched over from babyhood.

An Owed of Love

You cared for me. Your laughter gay
Drifts backward; holds me in its sway.
Although I can't recall your name,
Still burns within my heart a flame
Of love that will not die away.

My slightest whim you would obey;
And though I'd hate to be astray
I feel that I can make this claim—
You cared for me.

Despite all this I hope and pray
Before we meet. My tarnished fame
That there will be a long delay
And hankies both are very lame,
For, nurse, it cost me locks each day
You cared for me.

J. Philip Stack (New York Sun).

HOLD UNION WATCH NIGHT SERVICES

Union watch night services will be conducted this evening by members of the Church of All Saints and Central M. E. church, who will gather in the latter edifice this evening at 8 o'clock. The announcement of this step indicates a readjustment of the former observance program of the Methodist church organization in Lowell.

The pastors of both churches will speak briefly at the first service of the evening. At 9.45 p. m., Rev. C. S. Otto of St. Paul's church will give an illustrated lecture on yellowstone park. At 11, Rev. C. E. Spaulding, D.D., is to preach and assisted by clergymen present will administer communion service.

The Epworth league of the two churches will serve luncheon and provide other social features for all present. There will also be special music by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Ridings throughout the evening. At midnight they will play "Rock of Ages" outside the church.

At St. Anne's church

Watch night will be observed as previous [illegible] will be conducted tonight in St. Anne's church from 11 o'clock to midnight. The church doors will open at [illegible] at 10.40 there will be appropriate [illegible] played by William C. Heller, church organist. At 11 p. m. the members of the church choir of 60 voices will march into the auditorium and [illegible] places in the chancel. Services [illegible] at midnight when the chimes [illegible] church bells will usher in the advent of the New Year.

RUFFLED BLOOMERS

Ruffled bloomers for the child are decidedly new and do away with the necessity of petticoats.

REJOICING ON SUCCESS OF IRISH LOAN

Newspapers recently received from Ireland indicate that there is great satisfaction in government circles over the success of the Free State loan of $50,000,000, which was over-subscribed by 11 per cent. The Irish Times of Dublin, discussing the success of the loan in the course of a long editorial, said:

"The whole country will share Mr. Ernest Blythe's satisfaction at the success of the Free State loan. It was over-subscribed by a million and a half, and all the money came from the public. There has been no necessity for resort to the Free State banks, which 'stood by' to meet possible deficiencies. Every subscriber of £5000 or less will receive a full allotment. There were some 22,000 subscribers in all, and thus the individual subscription reached an average of some 500 pounds. These figures are of the happiest portent. They mean, in the first place, that, as Mr. Blythe (minister of finance) said, 'The country is definitely on its legs as regards credit.) Before the loan the national credit was strong in theory, today it is strong in fact. By an act of faith the people have created their own security, and the elements of insecurity have been reduced to proportions which—if sound and sober government obtains—may be regarded as almost negligible. In the next place, the interests of the Free State are now identified with those of a large body of shareholders in the state—persons of every occupation, creed and class. We have established such a community of rentiers as in all lands is the surest guarantee of public stability. Again, the success of this first loan means that future borrowings may be arranged more easily and on cheaper terms. Mr. Blythe is encouraged to believe that henceforward the state can be financed altogether from internal sources.

"The moral results of assured national credit may be held to be, in the case of Ireland, the most important of all its results. Through seven centuries this country has been haunted by a tradition of failure—passionate, dramatic, heroic and, at times, glorious failure, but still failure. We went forth to battle, and we always fell. We had no confidence in ourselves; we never felt, as other nations felt, the conviction that peace and progress must reward industry and effort. Even when liberty knocked at the door we admitted her in a half-hearted fashion, doubtful of our power to keep her. Now, as we believe, that long-lived and disastrous frame of mind has vanished. The success of the loan has inspired us with a new sense of confidence in ourselves. It has transformed the national psychology. We see ourselves no longer as the victims of some malignant destiny, but as a vigorous people starting life afresh, masters of our fate, dowered not less richly than any other country with the attributes of progress. The loan was an act of faith not only in the Free State government, but in ourselves. The interest that it will pay in terms of cash is not to be compared with the interest that it will pay in terms of national steadiness, self-respect and ambition.

Furthermore, the loan has achieved social and political results of the utmost value. It has established a new fellowship between men of all classes and creeds in the Free State. We shall hesitate henceforward to talk about the 'minority' in southern Ireland; for the loan has deprived the word of any political meaning so far as domestic politics are concerned. Finally, we may hope that the success of the loan, and the causes and moral of that success, have brought the whole country nearer to the goal of national unity. The loan has achieved more than many years of propaganda, bland or menacing could achieve to improve the relations between the Free State and northern Ireland. It has advertised southern self-respect and progress in the language that northern industry can understand."

LOWELL AD CLUB SOUVENIR DINNER

The second annual souvenir dinner of the Lowell Ad club will be given this evening at the Auditorium, to be honored by the presence of Lieut. Governor Alvan T. Fuller and Mrs. Fuller and Congressman John Jacob Rogers. In addition to the lieutenant-governor and the Lowell congressman the principal speakers will be Professor Austin McCormick of Bowdoin and Mayor John J. Donovan.

In many, many ways this annual affair of the Ad club is unique and promises to establish a new high mark in winter social activities. The dinner has been preceded by most elaborate plans and preparation for the entertainment of the 500 who will attend, there will be souvenirs galore and surprises as the old year wanes and a new one is born.

All reservations have been taken and although a waiting list has been formed it is doubtful if accommodations are available beyond the limit number of 500. Edward J. Cooney will serve as toastmaster, Robert B. Wood as floor director and Frank Bleard as chairman of the general committee in charge.

The dinner will begin promptly at 6.30 o'clock to be followed by the post prandial program, the awarding of 130 master prizes and then general dancing until some time next year.

NATURE'S BLOOM

Practically every smart woman you see these days wears a gardenia on her coat or on her fur neckpiece.

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Turn over the page, for a year is done
And nineteen hundred and twenty-three
Is a book that's finished, a yarn that's spun,
A thing that isn't—but used to be:
Here's a brand new page, and a brand new pen
With which to scribble some brand new lore.
We can't write last year over again
So—what'll we write in '24?

Shall we carry over the last year's dope
Of greed, hypocrisy, hate and doubt?
Or shall we substitute Love and Hope
And leave those uglier passions out?
Here's a brand new page and a brand new chance
For a brand new tally, a brand new score.
What'll we write on this clean expanse,
What'll we write in '24?

The blots and errors of '23
The blurs and scratches are absent here.
For this is a brand new page we see,
A brand new page and a brand new year.
What ever is written is ours to write;
Shall we improve on the days of yore?
It's up to us—here's a page that's white,
What'll we write in '24?

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The Season's Greetings

To Our Many Friends and Customers We Extend Our Heartiest Wishes for a

Happy New Year

During the year now coming to a close it has been our privilege to serve an ever-growing list of new customers, and we earnestly hope that all who have helped us in the past and all whom we hope to meet in the future will accept our assurances of co-operation and service.

The Lowell Electric Light Corporation

A New Year's Greeting

In extending our greetings for the coming year, we desire to say that we count among the most valuable assets in our business life the good will of the community in which we live and endeavor to serve.

In this there is a great satisfaction, and we extend to one and all in our good city our sincere wishes for

A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

The Thompson Hardware Co.

VALVES — Hoffmans, Airid, Russell, Globe, Gate, Radiator, etc.

Pipe Covering and Cement

SINKS—White Enameled, Roll Rim, Flat Rim, Plain.

CLOSET SEATS—White, Light Oak, Dark Oak, Cherry and Mahogany.

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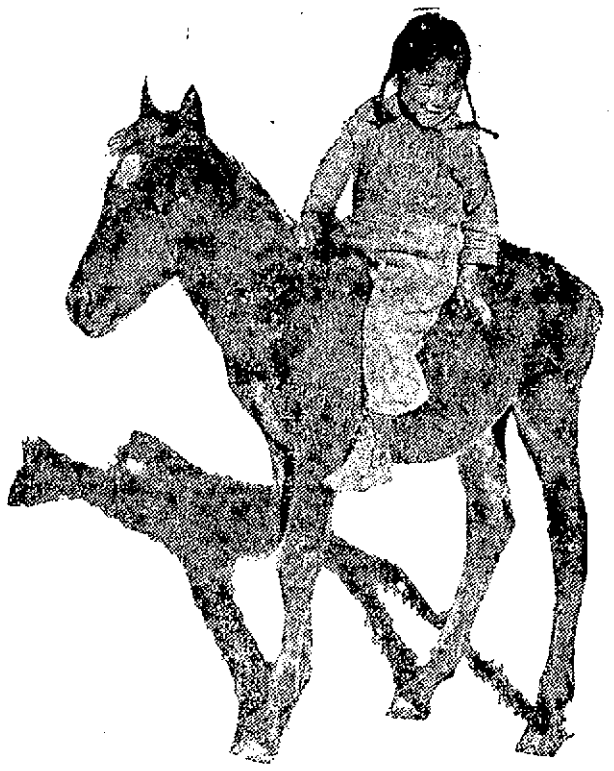

AND SO THEY NAMED HER

There are many ways of choosing a name. When the medicine man of the Glacier National Park Indian reservation called to fasten a title on this little daughter of Chief Crow Feathers, he found her astride this pony. Thereupon, he called her "Curry Crow Feathers." And that was that.

AMUSEMENT NOTES

LOWELL OPERA HOUSE

"The Lion and the Mouse," a stirring drama of love, intrigue and adventure, opens tonight at the Lowell Opera House as the stellar attraction of the Luttringer stock players for the first week of the new year. This play is one of the most successful stock plays ever written and is certain to evoke much favorable comment.

Victor Browne has the part of the lion. He is Ready Money Ryder, bent on crushing a judge who has fallen in his disfavor. Miss Hazel Corrine has the part of the daughter of the judge who has been marked for impeachment. Richard Morgan, the son of Ready Money Ryder, falls deeply in love with the daughter of his father's enemy. You can imagine the complications which ensue. They add a piquancy and flavor to the plot that make certain the play will be well liked.

Jack Bavold, John Rowe, Malcolm MacLeod, Marguerite Slavin, Edna Earl Andrews, Fern Chandler and Kathleen Keating all have adorable parts. Seats may now be reserved by phoning 261.

OPERA HOUSE MIDNIGHT SHOW

"Just a real good time" is assured all who take in the midnight show, "The League of Nonsense," presented under the auspices of Al. Luttringer by French and Bagley at the Lowell Opera House tonight. There will be noise-makers, special New Year's favors, and everything that is needed to make up a miniature Mardi Gras. A special orchestra will furnish music for the party which begins just at 11.15. Dancing in the back of the theatre will be the beginning. The "League of Nonsense" show will start at 11.30 o'clock.

Seat reservations for parties may be made by phoning 261. Tickets will not be held after that hour unless special arrangements are made. A good patronage and a lively time is certain. The summit of the proscenium arch is the limit and merry makers are expected to hit their stride early, the "League of Nonsense" girls acting as pace makers.

The regular performance by the stock players, "The Lion and the Mouse" will precede the midnight show, ending at 10.30 o'clock. The hour interim provides just time enough for lunch for those who intend to take in both attractions.

B. F. KEITH'S THEATRE

Special attention is called to the schedule of performances at the B. F. Keith theatre today and tomorrow. Today there will be three shows, two of which will start at the regular time. The afternoon performance will open at 2 o'clock, and the first evening show will start at 8 o'clock. At 11 o'clock there will be presented a bill which will carry through to New Year's day. It will be a show which differs in many respects from the scheduled presentation, for it will hold a lot of impromptu fun. The Blossom Heath orchestra will play for dancing on the stage.

Tomorrow, New Year's day, there will be three shows beginning respectively at 1, 4.30 and 8 o'clock. Present indications point to an unusual demand for tickets for all these performances.

The week's bill will have everything of a holiday nature to it, and in front position there will be the celebrated Blossom Heath orchestra, composed of eight young men from Wheeling, West Virginia. They have made many records under the name of the Virginia Serenaders. Only recently have they finished a 11 weeks' engagement at the celebrated Blossom Heath inn, Long Island. This is one of the most exclusive of roadhouses about New York, and the orchestra is known to thousands of frequenters of this noted place. Let it be said that the members of the orchestra, who are all white, not only play jazz but some of the most melodious of classical music, can dance and are decidedly bright as comedians. They will make a splendid holiday headliner.

Brown and Whitaker ought to capture a lot of applause with their act, "Clown Topics" is the title of their turn, which is replete with comedy, music and dancing. The chatter of this couple is redolent of the big theatres on Broadway, where the very latest in fun is provided.

Little Lord Robert, the brilliant Lilliputian, who was placed in a leading part in Victor Herbert's "Little Nemo" will bring real merit to the bill. He can dance and sing and act like the biggest of big men, and his work is topped with artistry throughout.

John T. Ray and Grace Hilliard will offer their new comedy novelty, "The Evening Breeze." They are prime makers of good fun and music. Ray has the character of a small town taxi man, and Miss Hilliard will be the saleslady from a big town.

Louise Binder and Fred Roy, who are both versatile, will bring out a snappy bit of fun, and the Les Ghezzis are known as among the very best of Europe's athletes. They are artistic in their wonderful work.

"Tea With a Kick," a splendid laughing picture, with a cast of 27 principals, will be the knockout presentation. Then there will be the Fables, the Topics of the Day and Pathe News.

RIALTO THEATRE

Two bobbed haired flappers, the cutest in pictures, are on the Rialto program today. They are Viola Dana and Gladys Walton. The former will be seen in "Crinoline and Romance," a southern story, and the latter will appear in "Sawdust," a story of the circus.

"Sawdust" presents Gladys Walton in the finest starring vehicle in which she has been seen since "Pink Tights," one of her very first successes, which was also a story of the big top. In "Sawdust" she is a tight-rope walker.

She is suddenly transplanted from the environment of the circus to the quiet home of an old couple who had lost their only child. The result—why you can just imagine a lively circus girl, a small village, peace and quiet, no noise. She stood it as long as she was able and she stayed longer than she intended when she fell in love with a young country attorney.

"Crinoline and Romance" is the title of the added feature which has vivacious Viola Dana for its star. In this picture, Miss Dana appears in the role of a demure and utterly unsophisticated southern miss. The gay, spirited manner which one usually associates with her acting is not lacking in this characterization by any means; but she adds a charming simplicity that is delightfully different. The story is concerned with the life of Emy Lou, who lives with her grandfather in a secluded section of North Carolina. The girl knows little of the world outside the gates of her home, for beyond it she has never ventured. She has never had the companionship of men and women her own age. Emy decides to revolt. She runs away with her "mammy" to the ultra smart home of her fashionable aunt, Mrs. Worthington, where a select coterie of very advanced young folks are her guests. A big sensation follows.

THE STRAND

Tonight performances will be continuous up to midnight. Come and see the New Year make its entrance. The program for the first part of the week is one that will surely appeal to all patrons, for it has all of the special elements found in the better pictures. "The Wanters," a great production by John Stahl, with Marie Prevost and other favorites in the cast is one of the attractions, and Katherine MacDonald, the famous screen beauty in "The Scarlet Lily" is the second feature. These alone would make a program of exceptional worth, but the management has also provided a good comedy and Weekly, as well as special musical numbers. Don't miss it. It's a truly worth-while offering.

MIDNIGHT SHOW AT STRAND

Patrons of the Strand will have an opportunity of witnessing the entrance of 1924 tonight. The management has arranged for continuous performances up to midnight tonight, and the program will be so arranged that the last performance will be completed just as the New Year enters.

EVERETT TRUE

NEW YEAR PLEDGES ARE NOW IN ORDER

FRIEDA HEMPEL WILL SING HERE

Frieda Hempel, "The Jenny Lind of Today," has been compared to a lark, and a nightingale, and a golden-throated canary—and to all the feathered songsters that have a right to be jealous of her bird-like notes. After writing that Frieda Hempel was at her crystalline best in a remarkable performance of "La Traviata" with the Chicago Opera Co., in Milwaukee, Wis., the critic goes on to say:

"Never was her glorious voice more creamy in tone, more glitteringly brilliant in the rapidity of her execution—and the very last note was as lovely as the first, nay, lovelier.

"It is a wonderful thing to be able to sing like that, and Hempel does it with the same lack of effort that a meadow lark does. She never 'attacks' a note but lights upon it with the daintiness of a bit of thistledown. As for gowns and jewels, gorgeous is the word, for she floated through the opera like a rare butterfly."

Hempel will come to the Memorial Auditorium in her famous Jenny Lind concert, Sunday, Jan. 13, at 3.15. Seats will go on sale at Chalifoux's, Wednesday, Jan. 2.

DRESSMAKING CLASSES AT LINCOLN SCHOOL

Any woman, 16 years of age or over, who is interested, is invited to join a dressmaking or millinery class, opening for 1924, on Thursday evening, Jan. 3, in the Abraham Lincoln chool, Schelmsford street, opening hour 7 o'clock.

In dressmaking there will be classes both for beginners and for advanced pupils. In millinery any woman can join and learn how to make hats. In these classes, a knowledge of sewing is of advantage, but not absolutely necessary. As a fixed number of lessons is given to the making of each hat or garment, late comers are far behind the class. They are thus handicapped and also deprived of valuable instruction.

It is therefore earnestly requested that all women interested be on hand ready to start Thursday evening. Instruction is free, the only charge to class members being the cost of the material for the hat or garment they make and which they keep on completion of the course.

Ambassador Kellogg on his arrival in London, says he will get acquainted with embassy routine before King George and Queen Mary return from Christmas holidays.

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MATS TO OBSERVE THE NEW YEAR

An open house from 8 to 10 o'clock this evening and an entertainment at midnight will feature the Mathews Temperance Institute celebration of New Year's. Refreshments will be served during the evening and general dancing enjoyed.

A rehearsal for the Follies and Frolics, the show to be staged by the society in the near future, was held yesterday under the direction of Jocko Thornton and several new features were incorporated in the show that should prove attractive.

The election of officers will be held Friday evening.

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WELCOME IN 1924 IN NEW YORK STYLE!
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SMITH AND BAGLEY'S MUSICAL FROLIC
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AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK SHARP TONIGHT
Old General Hilarity
—WILL LAUNCH AN ATTACK—
Able Lieutenants at His Command
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BROWN and WHITAKER—
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"THE WANTERS"
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KATHERINE MacDONALD
"THE SCARLET LILY"
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TODAY and TUESDAY
An O. Henry Story of New York's East Side
"The Sidewalks of N. Y."
With HANNA LEE
The famous child actress. Seven Reels.
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COMEDY and SERIAL

OUR BEST WISHES FOR A HAPPY AND A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.
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MONDAY and TUESDAY
GEORGE LARKIN
In a new drama
"The Way of the Transgressor"
Also Shown
"The Broken Violin"
A remarkable production of heart throbs, with
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Many New Sport Champions Crowned During the Year 1923

BABE RUTH HERO OF YEAR

"Bust" in World Series of 1922 Was Sensation of Baseball in Past Season

Tragedy of Year Was Furnished by Failure of Sisler to Play All Season

BY BILLY EVANS

The major league season of 1923 was featured by many unusual happenings.

The tragedy of the year was furnished by the failure of George Sisler to hold down first base for the St. Louis Browns.

Voted the most valuable player in the American league in 1922, Sisler was the outstanding figure in baseball. His club had been beaten by a one-game margin for the pennant. The experts picked the Browns as the best bet for 1923 if Sisler continued his great play.

During the winter months Sisler suffered an eye affliction that failed to respond to treatment. As a result the most valuable player of 1922 was a mere spectator during the 1923 season. The Browns finished in the second division.

The heroics of the year were furnished by Babe Ruth. A fallen idol in 1922, a "bust" in the world series of that year, he was the sensation of the baseball world last season.

Ruth came back with a decided vengeance. He was more than a mere home-run hitter last season. Ruth was a Tris Speaker in the outfield, a Ty Cobb on the bases and a Babe Ruth at the bat. A fairly good combination. No wonder he was voted the most valuable player in the American league for 1923, supplanting George Sisler.

Ruth topped off the greatest season of his career by being the big noise of the world series. As Ruth goes, so go the Yankees has long been an adage in baseball. Ruth failed in the world series of 1921 and 1922 and the Yankees lost. Ruth delivered in 1923 and the Yankees won.

Both New York clubs won their respective league's pennants. The experts figured the Yankees would have a much harder time coming through than the Giants, yet the opposite was true. With the season half over, the Yankees stepped out and distanced their rivals, while the Giants were pressed all the way.

In the two previous world series meetings between the Yankees and the Giants, the American league entry had been a strong favorite and was beaten both times out. In the 1923 event, while the Yankees were still strongly favored, a number of the experts liked the chances of the Giants. This time the Yankees crossed them up by capturing the honors for the American league.

In the matter of batting champions Harry Heilmann of Detroit and Rogers Hornsby of the St. Louis Cardinals sprang the unusual. Left-hand batters usually monopolize championship batting honors, but Heilmann and Hornsby have broken up this rather monotonous routine.

In 1921 Hornsby and Heilmann were the leading major league hitters. It was the first time since 1904 that two right-handed hitters had finished out in front. In the year Larry Lajoie and Hans Wagner showed the way to the left-handers. In 1922 Sisler crowded Heilmann out, but this year the Detroit slugger once more brings the right-handed combination of Hornsby and Heilmann to the front.

When Hornsby finished in front last season, it was the fourth consecutive time that he has led the National league in hitting. This ties the National league record. Hans Wagner was the champion in 1906-07-08-09. Wagner also led in 1903-04, but Seymour stepped into the batting honors in 1905. Wagner also showed the way in 1911, but Sherry Magee was best in 1910. If Hornsby can again lead the National league the coming season, he will supplant Wagner's four-straight mark.

In the minors the most striking upset of the year was the winning of the American Association pennant by the Kansas City club. In a thrilling race Kansas City nosed out St. Paul, a strong favorite to repeat. Then to show that the winning of the association honors was no fluke, the Blues trounced Baltimore, winner of the International league pennant, in the little world series of baseball.

On the whole baseball enjoyed one of the best seasons in the history of the sport. The attendance throughout the country was such that mighty few leagues found it necessary to suspend play.

SARAZEN BEST TWO-YEAR-OLD

Won Every Start During Year —Record More Impressive Than Man O' War's

Zev Awarded Honors in Three-Year-Old Class—Review of Year on Track

BY BILLY EVANS

What horse is the best three-year-old of the year?

That is almost as difficult a question as deciding the college football championship.

Zev, Harry Sinclair's fast stepper, is entitled to much consideration in rating the turf's best three-year-old, although his claim to the title is not without several blemishes.

When Zev won the Kentucky derby he sprang one of the biggest surprises of the year in the racing game. Just prior to the derby it was rumored that he wouldn't even start. In the betting he paid a fancy price. Going out in front he ran a beautiful race and richly deserved victory.

Then followed a long run of successes in which Zev in various events at different distances clearly proved his superiority over the three-year-old field.

The success of Zev made for international rivalry. England contested the right of Zev to be classed as the greatest three-year-old of the year. Papyrus, the wonder horse, was sent over to dispute Zev's claim.

The race was run under very unfavorable conditions, which worked more to the disadvantage of Papyrus than Zev. The going was very heavy, the track was the proverbial sea of mud as the result of hours of constant rain. The English horse was improperly shod. Unquestionably it played a serious part in the gait of Papyrus. Uncertain footing, largely the result of being improperly shod, caused the English entry to lose much of his speed and the event was more or less of a canter for Zev.

Prior to the selection of Zev to represent the United States in the international event, Admiral Cary Grayson, owner of My Own, another great three-year-old, disputed the right of the Jockey club to name Zev in preference to his horse. It caused all kinds of controversy. Had Zev been beaten by Papyrus, the Jockey club would have been severely criticized. The victory of Zev saved the situation as far as the Jockey club was concerned.

Smoke always produces fire, and constant agitation as to the superiority of Zev and My Own resulted in both horses being entered in the Latonia derby. In this race was also entered In Memoriam, a bit of Kentucky horseflesh.

The betting was all Zev and My Own. In Memoriam was given but slight consideration, the natives of Kentucky being the only ones to believe in the chances of the Blue Grass entry.

The victory of In Memoriam was even more surprising that the triumph of Zev in the Kentucky derby. The strange part of it was that In Memoriam won about as he pleased, finishing well out in front.

More arguments resulted, and a return race was arranged between Zev and In Memoriam at Louisville. This race will go down as one of the greatest events in turfdom. The judges ruled that Zev won. That made it official, but there are a lot of people in Kentucky who still firmly believe that the judges erred.

Zev's victory was not nearly so convincing as that scored by In Memoriam in the first race. Incidentally the turf experts insist that had Jockey Mack Garner taken his horse out in front in the early stages of the race, when In Memoriam was running easy, he could have established such a lead that Zev would have never caught the Weidemann entry.

While Zev's superiority over In Memoriam is still a matter of doubt, his record as a whole for the year is far more convincing than that of In Memoriam, and he is entitled to the three-year-old honors.

There was nothing in the two-year-old class but Sarazen. In every start of the year he won as he pleased. Happy Thoughts, who loomed a logical contender for the two-year-old title, failed to even press Sarazen when the two met in a special race to decide the merits of the two most talked-about two-year-olds of the year. Prior to meeting Sarazen, Happy Thoughts was undefeated.

Sarazen's record as a two-year-old is even more impressive than that of the great Man o' War and Morvich in the same class. The work of Sarazen as a three-year-old will be watched with the keenest of interest. No horse ever gave greater promise for big things.

NORMAN BROOKES MAY COME TO U. S.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31. Norman E. Brookes, one of the best and most spectacular tennis players in the world, may come to the United States in 1924 if Australia disposes of enough competitors in elimination rounds to reach this far in its quest of the Davis cup. Brookes has written to the United States Lawn Tennis association, announcing his return to competition through a preliminary tour of England and France.

He may be captain of the Australian team and pair off with [illegible] in the doubles with Pat O'Hara Wood. These two with Gerald Patterson may form the Australian team, together with [illegible] Anderson and John B. Hawkes, members of the 1923 squad, is expected to come back next season.

The second entry for the 1924 tournament has been received from France which will compete in the European zone. Ireland was the first country to challenge.

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Speaking of the champions of 1923, how about the ex-boys and girls? You don't suppose John McGraw, who lost his "master mind" title in the world series, is sorry to see 1923 go, do you? Welker Cochran, who was bumped off by Willie Hoppe in the billiard play-off, certainly isn't. Nor is Molla Mallory, who was dethroned by Helen Wills, the youthful tennis star from the coast. Johnny Kilbane, who held the featherweight title longer than any other champion, fell by the wayside during the year. Jesse Sweetser, the golf champion, also found 1923 a hoodoo year, as did Bill Roper of Princeton and Bob Fisher of Harvard, two "Big Three" coaches who experienced miserable years on the gridirons. The race between Papyrus and Zev for three-year-old honors was a rough voyage for the English horse from every angle. Yes, there was joy for some in 1923, but misery for many others.

Principal Title Holders in Various Branches of Sport

AMERICAN FIGHT CHAMPIONS

Heavyweight—Jack Dempsey. Light heavyweight—Gene Tunney. Middleweight—Harry Greb. Welterweight—Mickey Walker. Lightweight—Benny Leonard. Featherweight—Johnny Dundee. Bantamweight—Joe Lynch. *Flyweight—Frankie Genaro. (*—While Pancho Villa holds the world's flyweight titler, he is not recognized as the American champion.)

AMERICAN GOLF CHAMPIONS

Women's National—Edith Cummings. Men's National Amateur—Max Marston. National Open—Bobby Jones. Professional Match Play—Gene Sarazen. National Intercollegiate—Dexter Cummings. National Public Parks—Richard Walsh.

AMERICAN BASEBALL CHAMPIONS

National League—New York Giants. American League—New York Yankees. World Series—New York Yankees. National Batting Champion Rogers Hornsby. American Batting Champion—Harry Heilmann.

AMERICAN BILLIARD CHAMPIONS

Professional 18.2—Willie Hoppe. Professional Pocket—Ralph Greenleaf. Three Cushion—John Layton. Junior 18.2—Kato Sugunuma. Amateur 18.2—Percy Collins. Amateur 18.1—Francis S. Appleby. Amateur Pocket—Edward W. Reynolds.

AMERICAN FOOTBALL CHAMPIONS

Eastern Honors—Yale and Cornell. Western Conference—Michigan and Illinois. Pacific Coast—University of California.

AMERICAN TURF CHAMPIONS

Leading two-year-old Sarazen. Leading three-year-old—Zev.

AMERICAN TENNIS CHAMPIONS

Davis Cup—Won by United States. World's Turf W. M. Johnston. World's Clay Court—W. M. Johnston. National Turf—William Tilden 2nd. National Turf, Women's—Helen Wills. National indoor—Vincent Richards. National Clay Court—William Tilden 2nd.

INDIAN SECONDS WIN AT BASKETBALL

The Indian Seconds after closing a successful football season have turned their attention to basketball. They defeated the Lowell Indians, managed by "Sleyer" Rodgers to the tune of 24 to 16. The game was full of action from the start. The Lowell Indians started off with a crash and scored three baskets before the Seconds found their stride. Firth led the attack with two baskets from the side of the hall and Tom Torpey followed up with three from the middle of floor. Huslander scored just as the period ended. Score first period: Lowell Indians 6, Indians Seconds 12.

The second period started with a ringer by Firth, who followed up by getting three made from difficult angles. Rogers then started by getting one. Seabe followed with two from the side of floor. The Indian Second team was working as one. Tom Torpey and Huslander scored one apiece before the period ended. Score: Indian Seconds 24, Lowell Indians 12.

The third period found the Lowell Indians working like beavers. Jim Torpey scored two baskets that brought the fans to their feet. McLaughlin, the Indian Seconds' centre, scored two and [illegible] by beautiful passing. Firth came through with two and Tom Torpey ended the game with a shot from the middle of the floor.

The lineup:

INDIAN 2NDS	LOWELL INDIANS
T. Torpey, lf	lf, Seabe
Huslander, rf	lb, Desmarais
McLaughlin, c	c, Dyer
Y. Firth, lf	rf, J. Torpey
Moran, lb	rb, B. Rogers

Substitutes: Indian Seconds, Barter; Lowell Indians, Grantz, Laflamme, Davidson.

SOCCER SEMI-FINAL AT COATS' FIELD

The national challenge cup committee of the United States Football association has ordered play of the eastern semi-final between Abbot Worsted and Fall River teams at Pawtucket on Jan. 19, on the grounds of the J. & P. Coats' team. There was much discussion relative to a place for this game and both clubs interested were represented. Shawsheen, Quincy, Providence, Fall River and Boston all wanted the game.

The Abbot Worsted club waived the possibility of a large revenue to play the game on neutral ground, in preference to Tiverton stadium.

The third round draw in the American soccer cup series, to be played on or before Jan. 20, follows:

Fore River vs. Prospect Hill at Quincy.

Abbot Worsted vs. Pacific Mills at Forge Village.

Fall River vs. Sayles Finishing at Fall River.

J. & P. Coats vs. Crompton at Pawtucket.

HOLIDAY BOXING BOUTS

Billy Murphy to Meet Bud Dempsey in Moody Club Main Event Tomorrow

Tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock the Moody club will stage its weekly boxing show in Crescent rink and a fine card has been arranged for the holiday.

In the main and feature event Billy Murphy, local featherweight star, who has created a sensation in pugilistic ranks by winning every bout he has appeared in since entering the game, will face a formidable foe in "Bud" Dempsey of New York, who comes here determined to halt the victorious sweep of the local boy.

Dempsey's record is most impressive, and his manager, Eddie Mead, says he is one of the most promising looking youths he has seen break into the game in many years. He came out of the west virtually unknown but immediately made good in the big town when he jumped in as an eleventh-hour substitute and gave Spencer Gardner a great battle. He has beaten Johnny Curtin, "Pepper" Martin and others of equal class.

Being in the same stable with Champion Joe Lynch, Dempsey has had the advantage of good training and Mead avers that "Bud" gives Lynch a great tussle in the gymnasium. Mead and Dempsey are due to arrive in Lowell this evening.

Babe Moss of Lawrence who fought Tommy Fall and Frankie Hebert here recently and Gene Rochon, who appeared against Emil Paluso here, will meet in the semi-final. Tommy Leonard of Lowell and Young Mahoney of Boston are listed for one preliminary and Mike McDonough of Lawrence and Johnny Hebert of Lowell are down to perform in the other.

MORE FOREIGN BOXERS TO INVADE U. S.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31. Invasion of America's fistic realm by foreign boxers after setting a new high mark in 1923 promises to establish another record in the new year.

Prospects for profitable matches in this country have attracted ambitious talent from Europe, and South America, the latter sending two formidable candidates for honors in Luis Angel Firpo, Argentine heavyweight, and Luis Vincentini, Chilean lightweight. Two European champions already are in this country, seeking laurels. A third is due early in January, while others have come in search of ring prominence, despite lack of titles.

Within the last few weeks, two title-holding Britishers have arrived, Roland Todd, European middleweight champion, and Harry Mason, wearer of the European lightweight belt. Todd was defeated by Tommy Loughran, Philadelphia light heavyweight in his debut here largely because of handicaps in weight, height and reach. Mason has yet to show his fistic wares.

Ermino Spalla of Italy, European heavyweight champion, will join the invading rank within a fortnight when he arrives to prepare for a match with Gene Tunney, American light heavyweight champion, slated for Feb. 1.

A fourth European champion, Edouard Mascart of France, featherweight titleholder, will come here in the spring to seek a match with Johnny Dundee, the Italian American who wrested the featherweight laurels last summer from another Frenchman, Eugene Criqui.

Georges Carpentier has another prospective fistic venture in America early in 1924 to meet leading American light heavyweights, while Battling Siki, Senegalese conqueror of Georges, already is touring this country.

Firpo looms so far as the most dangerous invader. The "Wild bull of the pampas" who knocked Jack Dempsey out of the ring before finally going down to defeat last September at the Polo Grounds, will return to the United States probably in March, to campaign for another title match.

BOXING — Moody Club
BILLY MURPHY of Lowell
—VS.—
"BUD" DEMPSEY of New York
CRESCENT RINK—TUESDAY AFTERNOON AT 3 O'CLOCK

RING CROWNS SHIFTED IN 1923

For Upheavals and Rapidly Changing Championships 1923 Has Known no Equal

Two Great Fighters, Johnny Kilbane and Jimmy Wilde, Passed Into Oblivion

BY JOE WILLIAMS

For tumultuous upheavals and rapidly changing championships the boxing season of the past year has known no equal. Four or five years back it was a rarity for more than one or two champions to drop by the wayside of decreptitude in the course of a season's milling.

This year no fewer than five championships of consequence changed hands, not considering the tin-plated phoneys invented by the New York Boxing commission.

One of the new champions failed to hold on to his honors long enough to show them off properly before the home folks. That added another unique touch to the year's developments. Usually your champions play the game safely for a year or so, doing the no-decision circuit. This one was different.

Two really great fighters passed into oblivion. Johnny Kilbane, who won the featherweight title from Abe Attell and held it longer than any fighter in the history of the sport, went down to an inglorious knockout at the hands of Eugene Criqui of France.

It marked the first knockout scored by an invading boxer over an American champion in many years. Kilbane was but a faint, shadowy ghost of his former self and toppled over the first time Criqui hit him with a solid punch.

Criqui, in turn, was beaten by Johnny Dundee a short time afterward, and left for his homeland an ex-champion. Dundee richly deserved his honors as featherweight champion. He had been hot on Kilbane's trail for years.

The other great fighter to pass into the shadows was Jimmy Wilde, English flyweight. Wilde came to America and was beaten by Pancho Villa, the Filipino, who thus became the world's flyweight champion. Wilde, in his day, was a magnificent little fighter, a master workman in the ring, a splendid hitter and as game as a pebble.

Battling Siki, celebrated corkpuller from Senegal, did not hold on to his world's light heavyweight laurels very long. Siki went over to Dublin to battle Mike McTigue, a second-rate American fighter, and was beaten in 20 rounds of grotesque fighting. Siki came to America later in the year and was a mark for Kid Norfolk in his first fight on this side of the water. A willingness to swing at all times, and a heart of oak, were his only assets as a fighter.

Johnny Wilson of Boston finally decided to defend his middleweight title and was trimmed by Harry Greb of Pittsburg. Greb later defended the title successfully against Bryan Downey, Clevelander, who had previously scored an unallowed knockout over Wilson.

Thus, the five fighters who lost their titles last year were Wilde, Kilbane, Criqui, Wilson and Siki. Champions who held the titles throughout the year were Joe Lynch, bantamweight; Benny Leonard, lightweight; Mickey Walker, welterweight, and Jack Dempsey, heavyweight.

We suppose, just to keep the record straight, it should be mentioned that Gene Tunney successfully defended his title against Harry Greb as light heavyweight champion of America. And some reference should be made to the fact that Frankie Genaro of New York is accepted as the American flyweight champion, having beaten Villa in a decision fight.

Leonard and Dempsey were the only successful champions who engaged in notable combats. Leonard scored a glorious triumph over Lew Tendler, his nearest rival, and Dempsey whipped Tommy Gibbons on points and Senor Firpo by a knockout, the details of both bouts, we imagine, being still fresh in the readers' memory.

PACIFIC COAST MAID STAR OF TENNIS YEAR

BY JOE WILLIAMS

America's tennis supremacy, universally recognized since 1920, remained unquestioned throughout 1923. For the third year in succession the United States defenders of the international Davis Cup turned back the strongest of the 17 challenging nations with comparative ease. For the third time in four years an American, William M. Johnston, of California, won the world's turf court championship at Wimbledon after taking the world's clay court title in France.

Added prestige came with the overwhelming triumph of the American women's tennis team over the highly rated women players of England in their first international match at Forest Hills. Mrs. Molla Mallory, Miss Helen Wills, Miss Eleanor Goss and Mrs. George W. Wightman, conceded only an outside chance of defeating Miss McKane, Mrs. Beamish, Mrs. Clayton and Mrs. Covell, surprised with a clean sweep of seven matches.

Standing out prominently as one of the features of the season was the sensational victory of 17-year-old Miss Helen Wills of California in the title round of the women's national championship. For the first time in four years on an American court, Mrs. Molla Mallory, six times national champion, was forced to accept defeat. In clinching her triumph the Pacific coast schoolgirl played the sort of tennis that, in the opinion of critics, bids fair to dethrone Mlle. Lenglen of France as world's champion before long.

The year saw an unusually large number of foreign stars on American courts, but only one national championship was carried out of the country, Miss McKane and Mrs. Beamish of England winning the women's doubles.

In another title final, the men's doubles, Brian Norton of South Africa shared the victory with William T. Tilden of Philadelphia, who again proved himself the peer of the world's tennis players.

Tilden won the national singles for the fourth time in succession, flashing greater tennis than ever before in his brilliant career.

BATTLES FOR GOLF TITLES

Season of 1923 Marked by Closeness of Play Unexampled in History of Sport

Three of Four Major Championships Required Extra Holes to Determine Victors

BY JOE WILLIAMS

The American golf season of 1923 was marked by a closeness of play and bitterness of contest unexampled in the history of the sport. Three of the four major championships required extra holes to determine the ultimate victors, and at least one of the important sectional tournaments demanded additional playing moments.

Another unusual touch was the feat of one major champion repeating his victory of the previous year. In golf nowadays the defending champion rarely ever repeats. Gene Sarazen, stocky Italian professional, contributed a bright page to the annals of the game when he came home in front in the professionals' match play tournament at Pelham Bay, defeating Walter Hagen in the finals at the second extra hole.

Sarazen started the year with two major titles, the open, which he won at Skokie, and the match play, which he won at Oakmont. He was unable to duplicate his triumph in the open but he made a gallant fight and scored a notable win in the match play.

The open went to Bobby Jones, celebrated Atlanta amateur, who won at Inwood after finishing in a tie with Bobby Cruikshank, mite of a Scotch professional. In the 18-hole pay-off the following day, a play-off that kept the immense gallery in frenzied suspense from opening tee shot to final putt, Jones won.

It was the southerner's first victory in a national tournament. The year before he had finished in a tie with John Black of California for second place in the open, one breathless stroke back of Sarazen. Admirers of Jones felt that his victory in the open would serve to carry him along to a victory in the national amateur later in the season at Flossmoor, but they were doomed to disappointment.

This event went to Max Marston of Philadelphia, a dark horse in the pre-tournament calculations. Marston proved a courageous fighter rather than a golfer of blinding brilliancy and achieved a deserved triumph, winning from Jesse Sweetser, defending champion, in a finals match that went to the thirty-eighth green.

You will note the two professional events, won by Sarazen and Jones, demanded overtime effort, as did the amateur. The women's event, however, was decided without extended effort. It produced a new champion in Edith Cummings of Chicago, and marked the temporary overthrow of Glenna Collett, who had been a sensation the year before.

Miss Cummings drew Alexa Stirling, thrice holder of the title in the finals, and handed her a trimming after being 2 down at lunch time. The new women's champion and her brother, Dexter, intercollegiate champion, form the strongest brother and sister team in America, a team rivaled only by the Wethereds of England.

The most spectacular match developed in a sectional tournament was the meeting between Chick Evans and Jesse Sweetser in the finals of the western amateur. Evans won at the thirty-eighth hole, thereby reversing a victory Sweetser had scored over him in the national finals at Brookline a year ago.

Other notable winners of the year were Miriam Burns, women's western, Jock Hutchinson, western open, Eddie Held, Trans-Mississippi, Richard Walsh, public parks, Ira Couch, national junior, and Perry Adair, southern.

HOPPE AFTER WORLD'S THREE CUSHION TITLE

NEW YORK, Dec. 31. Willie Hoppe, world's 18.2 balkline billiard champion announced last night that when he had met the challengers for 18.2 title, Welker Cochran and Jake Schaefer, he would attempt to win the world's three cushion title.

The champion's three cushion challenge will go to the winner of this season's three cushion tournament, for a 300 point match to be played before the end of May.

While an expert at the three cushion game Hoppe has not entered the three cushion competition for years. He was credited with having made a run of 25 three cushion billiards in an exhibition with Charles Peterson of St. Louis on the Pacific coast some years ago.

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HARD TO NAME GRID CHAMPS

Billy Evans, Authority on Sports, Says Picking Best Team Impossible Task

Too Many Good Teams in All Parts of Country to Make a Selection

By BILLY EVANS

Who is the college football champion of the United States?

I pass on that question. It is a more difficult problem than trying to pick an All-America team that will meet with the approval of the country.

In the east Yale and Cornell stood out. Neither suffered a defeat. The schedule as played by Yale was probably a bit tougher than the Cornell dates. However, to rate either team one-two, would be sufficient excuse to start all kinds of argument with possible bloodshed.

In the west Illinois and Michigan finished in a tie for Western conference honor. Both had great teams. Western football enthusiasts will give you the strongest kind of an argument that either team could have beaten Cornell or Yale.

Then there is California and Andy Smith. For four successive years Smith has coached California to Pacific coast honors. That California teams rate with the east and west has been conclusively proven in the meetings that have taken place, California holding the edge.

Five teams, Yale, Cornell, Illinois, Michigan and California have a perfect right to inflate their chests and say we are the best ever. Since there is no way of settling the argument, a draw decision five ways is the only verdict possible.

The football season has been filled with innumerable upsets. No longer is the outcome of any game a certainty under the new rules. The domination of the big colleges is a thing of the past in football. The smaller schools turn out good teams and with the open play and the uncertainty that goes with it, there is always a chance for the under dog.

Several of these decided upsets have kept the championship situation from becoming even more complicated.

Had not Notre Dame been beaten by Nebraska, many of the experts would have given Notre Dame a rating with the five unbeaten teams that have been mentioned. In all probability some of the critics would have gone even top of the football world. The defeat stronger and placed Notre Dame at the of Notre Dame was unexpected since Nebraska had been beaten by Illinois 24 to 7 and tied by both Kansas and Missouri.

If Syracuse had beaten Colgate, supporters of that team would have been setting up a claim for national honors. Colgate, tied by Ohio State, a weak sister in the west, and soundly trounced by Cornell, was looked on as easy picking by Syracuse. The breaks went to Colgate and with them a 16 to 7 victory! Then Syracuse, to prove its real worth, beat Nebraska, the team that defeated Notre Dame.

Until Thanksgiving day, West Virginia was entitled to championship rating. Undefeated, the Mountaineers and Jefferson, a team that had the lost to their hated rivals, Washington week previous been beaten by Pittsburg, which team had lost to West Virginia.

These are just a few of the upsets that kept the football world in constant turmoil and made the 1923 season the most interesting in the history of the game. Little Maryland almost upset Yale's happiness by leading the Blue 14 to 0 at one stage of the game, finally being defeated 16 to 14.

In every section of the country certain players stood out in bold relief. In the west Halfback Grange of Illinois was the sensation of that section. He, more than any other player, put Illinois back on the football map.

In the east Mallory of Yale was an outstanding star. Never a drop kicker or place kicker of prominence, Mallory led the east in this department of play with six goals from the field. Most of them played a prominent part in Yale's success.

Pfann of Cornell and Wilson of Penn State were two other players who were the heroes in practically every game played by their respective teams. On the coast Don Nichols of California was in the same class.

The brand of football played by the colleges during the 1923 season had a distinct appeal. It featured open play, so much favored by lovers of the game. As a result all attendance records were broken in every section of the country.

NEW HIGH RUN RECORD SET IN BILLIARDS

BY BILLY EVANS

With the national amateur association widening its scope and greatly increasing its tournament activity, and with the professional players engaging in more championship matches than heretofore, billiards can truly be said to have enjoyed an exceptional year in 1923. Larger entries and larger galleries gave evidence of the growing interest in championship events.

Only two records fell during the season, John A. Clinton, J., of Pittsburgh establishing a new high run of 154 and a new high average of 37 4-5 in the national championship, but in other prominent tournaments, play was of high calibre and records were frequently threatened seriously.

The year saw Willie Hoppe, king of balkline players for more than a decade and a half, regain the professional 18.2 title he had lost to Jacob Schaefer of Chicago the previous season. The year also saw Hoppe play in defense of the title against a strong field and finish in a tie with youthful Welker Cochran of Los Angeles, who astonished with a display of balkline that surpassed that of any other contender for consistency and brilliance.

Willie Hoppe retained his championship at 18.2 balkline billiards by defeating Welker Cochran, young star from the coast, in a play-off of 1500 points at Chicago. Hoppe ran up a commanding lead during the first two blocks of 500 and won without extended effort. The final score was Hoppe, 1500, Cochran, 1161.

Ralph Greenleaf, professional champion of pocket billiards for five years, defended his title successfully on several occasions and proved far superior to his challengers. The three-cushion title went to John Layton of Missouri and the junior 18.2 title to a Japanese protege of Hoppe's, Kato Suganuma.

In the amateur field Edgar T. Appleby of New York had to yield his national Class A 18.2 title to Percy Collins of Chicago, but retained his international title for which no tournament was held. Edgar Appleby's brother, Francis S., brought another title into the family by winning the first national 18.1 championship.

Edward W. Reynolds of New York proved best of the amateurs at pocket billiards, and Robert M. Lord of Chicago best at three cushion caroms.

TOM SIMS SAYS

We propose the following resolutions be adopted by the bored.

Whereas, New Year day has a blame fool habit of coming around only once a year.

And whereas, the man who said the good die young really was talking about good resolutions.

Also whereas, it is the same old bunch of good resolutions that die young every year.

Another whereas, breaking resolutions weakens the will power and won't power of everybody.

Fourth whereas, breaking resolutions destroys a man's self-respect and his reputation.

Last whereas, the same old set of resolutions have been made over until they are worn out.

Therefore be it resolved by the bored, that old resolutions will not be dug up this year.

Further resolved, that in place of resolutions we try to do the best we can during 1924.

And further resolved, that it will be impossible for us to do any better than the best we can.

Still further resolved, that doing the best we can gives more scope than any set of resolutions.

And lastly resolved, that the only resolution we will resolve is not to make any resolutions.

We set our hand this date and sit to think it over.

HELD FOR PASSING WORTHLESS CHECKS

LAWRENCE, Dec. 31.—Linwood Hodge, a native of Amesbury, wanted in Boston, Lynn, Portland, Me., and other cities in New England for passing worthless checks, was held for the grand jury this morning in district court here by Judge Mahoney for larceny by check and larceny of a diamond ring. Bail was fixed at $500 and $300, respectively. Hodge, according to local police gave a check to the Lawrence Hat Co., for $2.05 in payment for a hat, and a few weeks ago, he entered the jewelry store of Alex Abahyat on Hampshire street, and ran out with a diamond ring valued at $110. He admitted the check charge, but denied stealing the ring.

Hodge for several weeks has represented himself as an agent for an automobile company in this city and posed as a Pinkerton detective.

BOWLING

In the Lawrence Manufacturing Bowling league the shirt fold department heads the standing with 49 wins and 3 losses. Swindler's average of 97.2 is best in the individual scoring. The standing and averages:

Team	Won	Lost	Pinfall
Shirt Fold	49	3	17,588
Shirt Finish	32	20	15,832
Dye House	30	22	17,081
Shirt Fold No. 2	16	36	15,553
Shop	17	35	7,000
Independents	12	36	14,015

High team single, 513, Shirt Fold; second, 509, Shirt Fold No. 2; third, 506, Dye House.

High team three string, 1487, Shirt Fold; second, 1427, Shirt Fold No. 2, third, 1407, Dye House.

High individual single, 131, Vezina, Shirt Fold; second, 126, Dow, Dye House; Boldue, Shirt Fold No. 2; third, 125, Dow, Dye House.

High individual three string, 320, Dow, Dye House; second, 315, Vezina, Shirt Fold; third, 314, Nault, Shirt Fold.

Averages: Swindlers 97.2, Vezina 96.11, Taylor 95.2, Dow 94.28, Clay 93.33, Benoit 92.29, Nault 92.1, Lassier 91.23, Sherbourne 91.13, W. Rondeau 91.7, Davidson 91.1, Estabrook 90.23, Riley 90.5, Olson 90.8, Baribeault 90.4, H. Gagnon 89.25, F. Nicholas 89.20, Green 89.5, Kane 89.0, Holt 88.28, Senior 88.12, Spriggs 87.21, Carpenter 87.15, Boldue 87.12, Vance 87.12, Bigelow 87.5, Lippe 87.3, A. Gagnon 87.0, Leranger 87.0, Maille 86.14, Hobbs 86.25, Levy 85.8, Beauchesne 84.2, Thomas 83.4, E. Rondeau 81.15, Ayotte 80.3, Masson 75.2, Hadley 75.1, C. Nichols 75.2.

MASS. COTTON MILLS LEAGUE STANDING

	Won	Lost	Pinfall
Yard	37	15	18,003
Shop	35	17	17,709
Cloth	30	22	17,642
Spinning	21	23	16,310
Dress	24	28	17,699
Card	18	30	15,922
Weave	18	34	17,552
Dye House	18	34	17,318

Averages: Lebourdais 98.20, Silva 96.22, Gainey 95.16, Higgs 95.10, S. Williams 94.26, Nadeau 94.20, Perry 94.15, Hannaford 94.10, Hurst 94.3, Callahan 93.6, Dennett 93.4, Eldridge 93.1, Harding 93, Piers 92.26, Lens 92.19, Heald 92.9, M. Williams 92.3, Cudworth 92.2, Beaupre 91.31, Michaud 91.19, Rostron 91.7, Allen 90.27, St. John 90.20, Brennan 90.20, Slipp 90.16, Boyle 90.9, Sloan 90.9, Zimmy 90.6, McKearney 90.5, Brown 90.4, Andreoli 89.9, Balencourt 88.18, Robarge 88.9, Martin 88.1, Gardner 88, Brady 87.26, McAleer 87.25, Foster 87.10, Desmarais 87.9, Booth 85.25, Swanson 85.17, Duffy 85.13, Nickerson 85.4, Shields 84.15, McKara 84.1, M. Higgs 83.21, Letterall 83.2.

STRIBLING VS. ROSENBERG

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Young Stribling, the youthful Georgia aspirant for the world's light heavyweight boxing title, today put the finishing touches on his training for his 12-round-no decision match at Newark tomorrow with Dave Rosenberg of New York.

LEEVER TO TRY FOR OLYMPIC

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 31.—Harold E. (Booty) Leever, captain of the 1923 University of Pennsylvania track team and who holds the intercollegiate 100-yard championship and a number of other titles, announced today that he would try to make the American Olympic team. He will take part in meets in New York, Newark, Boston, Baltimore, Washington, Buffalo, Louisville and other cities during the winter.

AMATEUR ATHLETICS DISCUSSED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—The second annual convention of the National Amateur Athletic federation began sessions here today with discussion of steps for promoting a nation-wide campaign for participation in various forms of athletics. The use of magazines and newspapers for dissemination of educational publicity was one means considered.

Applications for membership from various athletic societies were presented and several proposed changes in the federation's form of government were taken up.

THE "BIG THREE" IN WOMEN'S TENNIS

LEFT, TO RIGHT—ELEANOR GOSS, MOLLA MALLORY, HELEN WILLS

BY BILLY EVANS

Who are the three ranking women tennis players in the United States?

That isn't nearly so difficult a problem as naming the first 10. Three players stand out, after that there is much room for argument regardless of selections.

We nominate Miss Helen Wills of California for championship honors. Then comes Mrs. Molla Mallory, closely followed by Miss Eleanor Goss of New York.

For eight years Mrs. Molla Mallory, a remarkable tennis player, has reigned supreme in the women's ranks. Her conqueror, Miss Helen Wills, just 18 years old, ads another triumph to the survival of youth over old age. However, don't get the impression that Mrs. Mallory is a gray haired veteran.

Last year great things were predicted for Miss Wills in 1923. At times, however, her game has been rather erratic and it seemed as if she was going to fail to live up to her advance notices. She came through in the pinch, an attribute of greatness in sport.

Prior to defeating Mrs. Mallory in the championship event, Miss Wills had been beaten in the finals of the southern New York state championships by her greatest rival and had also lost to Eleanor Goss in the finals of a minor tournament.

Miss Wills seemed to acquire the seasoning needed in the international team match with the best women players of England. Her defeat of the two English cracks, Miss Kathleen McKane and Mrs. R. C. Clayton, supplied her with the necessary confidence that enabled her to meet Mrs. Mallory in the finals of the championship at the top of her game and defeat her.

Unquestionably Miss Eleanor Goss of New York is entitled to third place in the rankings. Some of the experts may rate her higher than Mrs. Mallory, who is perhaps slowing up a bit as a result of the many bitter struggles in which she has engaged on the tennis courts.

Aside from beating Miss Wills at Seabright, the other high spot in the record of Miss Goss is her defeat of Mrs. Mallory in the middle states championships played at Philadelphia Cricket club in September.

Defeating the former champ as well as the present titleholder in the same season is quite an achievement.

READY FOR NEW YEAR'S FOOTBALL GAME

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 31.—The University of Washington football squad, consisting of 29 players, with several officials and coaches, arrived here today for the gridiron game tomorrow with the Navy eleven at the Rose Bowl.

Coach Bagshaw planned a light workout in the afternoon on the Rose Bowl turf, and then rest until game time.

The Huskies are said to be imbued with confidence and point out that the Navy is rated as the eleventh strongest team in the east, while the Huskies' rating in the west is second.

It is believed that Washington will not rely on an aerial game, but rather on line plunging. Ziel, Tesreau and Wilson are expected to play an important part in this department.

Ziel is said to be also a dangerous kicker inside the 45 yard line.

AFGHAN TROUBLE HALTS VICEROY'S TOUR

RANGOON, British India, Dec. 31.—The viceroy has curtailed his tour of Burma and is returning to Delhi, because of the Afghan trouble.

There is an increasing tenseness because of the raids over the northwestern frontier. Mohammet Ali, president of the India national congress, denies the possibility of an Afghan invasion, saying that "the Kabul Pony cannot swallow the Indian Giant."

Recent despatches from London have reported the murders of British officers and women along the northwestern frontier of India by Afghan tribesmen. As a result of these crimes, it was said, relations with Afghanistan were strained, and British officials in London asserted that unless a satisfactory settlement was reached the government's minister to Kabul could be withdrawn. The Afghan government, it was added, had taken steps to cooperate with Indian troops in running down with the murderers.

Church War is Renewed

Continued

caused a clash with Bishop Manning, declared the Christmas peace was over as far as he was concerned and expressed the hope that the controversy would be neither "too much narrowed" nor "hushed up by secret conference."

Dr. Grant's criticism of the "autocratic power of the bishops" was met by a diametrically opposed view expressed by Rev. Dr. Joseph G. H. Barry, rector of the Church of St. Mary the Virgin, who called upon the bishops to discipline the modernist clergymen and asserted that Cain was the first modernist. Emphasis was given Dr. Barry's statement by the presence in his church of Bishop William Walter Webb of Milwaukee a leading conservative.

Another in the ranks of the group which threw down the gauntlet anew was Dr. William Norman Guthrie, rector of the church of St. Mark's-in-The-Bouwerie, who recently conferred with Bishop Manning about symbolic dances in his church.

"In my 30 years in the ministry, I have never spoken this way before," said Dr. Guthrie, "but I am not going to let my brother get into trouble without going with him, and a good many of us are going to get into trouble."

He declared that death by boredom would be the fate of the Christian religion if so-called "paganism" were not used to revivify it and keep it apace with human progress.

The Rev. Charles Francis Potter of the West Side Unitarian church predicted that the "old era of hell and the devil and the cowardly evasion of truth will rapidly pass away and be supplanted by a newer and greater religion."

Rev. Dr. John Roach Straton, who recently technically lost in a debate with the Rev. Mr. Potter on the infallibility of the Bible, prophesied that no body would revolt of the Bible is torn to pieces.

"The trouble with modernists," he said, "is that they know more about the books of skeptical criticism of the Bible than they know about the Bible itself."

Dr. Guthrie referred in his sermon to the story of Jesus as "the Christ," saying he was interested in the story as a historian, but not as a minister.

NAMED ON COMMITTEES

Lowell Legislators Assigned to Committee Positions for Coming Year

Lowell representatives in the state legislature and senators whose districts include this city, have been assigned to committee positions for 1924 exactly the same as the posts held by them during the session of 1923.

Rep. Victor Francis Jewett again will serve as republican floor leader in the house and will be the chairman of the committee on rules, better known as the speaker's cabinet. In the absence of the speaker from any session the Lowell representative holds the reins over the house.

Rep. Thomas J. Corbett will serve with the committee on public institutions and the committee on payrolls.

Rep. Owen E. Brennen will serve with the committee on house elections and banks and banking.

Rep. Charles H. Slowey's assignments are to the committee on election laws and the committee on municipal finance.

The house will convene on Wednesday at 11 a. m. and at 12, noon, Governor Channing H. Cox will address a joint session of the house and senate and give his recommendations for 1924.

Up until 5 o'clock last Saturday afternoon 275 bills had been filed for presentation to the house and 10 for presentation to the senate. The time limit for filing new legislation expires on the second Saturday in January at 5 p. m.

As chairman of the committee on public service and as a member of the committee on joint judiciary and the committee on public judiciary and the Frank H. Putnam will be most active in the affairs of the senate. Senator Charles Howard of Reading, whose district also takes in a small slice of Lowell, will serve as chairman of the committee on state administration and also will be a member of the committees on local affairs and constitutional amendments.

Rep. Henry Achin, Jr., will serve with Rep. Jewett on the rules committee and will be chairman of the committee on public safety.

Rep. Fred O. Lewis has been assigned to the committees on state house and public health.

POP CONCERT AND DANCE AT AUDITORIUM

The biggest social event seen locally for many seasons will be held on Wednesday evening at the Memorial Auditorium when a pop concert and dance will be given under the auspices of the Notre Dame association. A fine concert will be given preceding the general dancing, by members of the Boston Symphony players who will also furnish music for dancing which will be in progress until 1 a. m. Vocal and instrumental selections will also be given by two popular out-of-town musicians. Members of the senior classes of the Academy of Notre Dame will act as waitresses and ushers.

RADFORD COMMITTED FOR OBSERVATION

SALEM, Dec. 31.—Judge Robert W. Hill at district court this morning committed Frank C. Radford of Beverly to the Danvers insane asylum, for observation for a period of 35 days. Radford was arrested in Beverly Saturday after a revolver fight in the shopping district with the proprietor of a jewelry store, where he had stolen a $200 diamond ring and fled. Radford lived in Salem until two years ago, and bore an excellent reputation. His friends feel that he is mentally unbalanced over the failure of his poultry farm, which he started two years ago. His case was continued in court until February 7, under bonds of $2500.

THIN STRAPS

Chin straps are seen with some of the newest and closest cloche hats.

ISSUES WARNING TO DISABLED VETERANS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Failure to make sure that their individual folders are in the central office of the veterans' bureau, has brought hardship upon many disabled men who have come to Washington recently in the hope of pressing their claims for compensation.

The disabled American veterans in a statement issued today warning disabled former service men not to make the trip to Washington unless they know "the utterly necessary folder is already here" declared that many claimants arrive "with funds to last them a few days," but find they must remain "until their papers are asked for and received from the districts" and become destitute in the time required for the folders to reach the bureau.

WELL KNOWN LOWELL CITIZENS WHO DIED DURING YEAR

The year which draws to a close today has been marked, as always, by the loss through death of many persons prominent in the life of the city. Familiar faces in all walks of life have disappeared in response to the Grim Reaper's call and it seems fitting at this time that our tributes must include thoughts for those who have gone.

Following is a list of the better known men and women who have died since January 1.

January—Milo H. Dudley, William Dickey, Patrick Dolan, Annie E. Beardsley, Sarah Curtis Whitney, Rev. James M. Craig, Mrs. Mary Viner, Mrs. Isabelle N. Deane, Patrick Cook, Daniel J. McCarthy, Hon. George F. Putnam, George E. Russell, Mrs. Hannah Putnam, Henry Seaver, Mrs. Dora F. Stevens, Charles H. Cox, Horace W. Clement, Hugh Ferguson, Patrick J. Hammersley, James Murray, Arthur Bosworth, Mrs. Katherine Slattery.

February—Mrs. Marion C. Barron, Daniel P. Knowlton, Mrs. Marie L. Fish, Samuel McCord, Henry L. Newhall, John Hickson, William Shore, Mrs. Julia D. Russell, Mrs. Alice E. Willman, Mrs. Ella D. Hall, Mrs. Elizabeth H. Toye, Richard Cuff, Henry C. Hutchinson, Charles G. Gott, Albert Monroe Moore, James P. McGinness, Erastus A. Bartlett, Col. Percy Parker, Michael J. Cahill, Mrs. Isabel Evelyn Calan, Rev. John M. McRory, O.M.I., Charles P. Pearson, George Flint, Mrs. Elizabeth Doyle Jewett, Mrs. Sabina Dowd Foley.

March—Michael J. Monahan, Thomas H. Nelson, Mrs. Emma Gilbert, Mrs. Elizabeth Van Barker, Mrs. Margaret R. Dow, George H. Graves, Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, Henry Boyd, Mrs. Janet Harvey Lyman, C. H. Robbins, Hugh Creamer, Mrs. Emma Baker, William Tait Simpson, Mrs. Ellen Bell, Mrs. Julia G. Ray, William Ogden, Thomas Willetts, David Rheault, Girard P. Dudman, Albert M. Gray, Andrew Livingston, Walter W. Smith, James H. McDermott, Mrs. Louise Robinson, Mrs. Adelaide Shepard Abbott.

April—Wallace Drew, Thomas Bartlett, Della Nolte, Harry P. Knapp, Mark Harry Sawyer, Rev. Robert M. Barrett, O.M.I., Miss Agnes P. Horan, Miss Persis A. Holmes, Charles T. Nelid, Mrs. Lucinda B. Metcalf, Joseph H. Corliss, Mrs. Alice Dean French, William J. Patten, James R. Gilman, Oliver C. Hisson, Frank W. Cheney, Mrs. Ellen Flanagan Crowe, Wilton R. Brown.

May—Dr. Thomas B. Smith, Fred M. Randlett, Thomas Jennings, Mrs. Sarah A. Wicks, Miss Jennie Stott, Clarence S. Trask, Miss Nancy M. Merrill, Dr. Joseph D. Delisle, Mrs. Sarah C. Johnston, Walter W. Smith, James H. McEnery, F. Gordon, Mary A. Cady, Mrs. Maria Jane Aham, Joseph T. Jodoin, Charles T. Phelps, Mrs. Margaret J. Crosby, John J. Sullivan, William E. Horgan, William T. S. Bartlett.

June—Mrs. Dorothy Webster Overlock, Rev. Joseph E. Kennedy, Mrs. Anna J. Donohue, John E. Ryder, Mrs. Joseph D. Marin, George Charles, E. Warren Bisbee, Francis E. Cronin, Miss S. Frances Parsons, Arthur P. Koops, James E. Spencer, Frederick G. Palmer, Asa J. Richardson.

July—Richard Hoyle, Garrett G. Royal, Edwin B. Cooke, Harry Stocks, Miss Jane Cleworth, Mrs. Wilhelmina A. Fihl, James W. McKenna, Mrs. Mary A. Doherty, James W. Cooper, James F. McKissock, Francis E. Butler, Mrs. Mary Virginia Rourke, Edward F. Virtla, Miss Elizabeth Booth, Mrs. Flora Shaw.

August—Mrs. Hannah A. Glover, Charles A. Richardson, Reuben Sails, Louis F. Paulin, Jason Whitman Cooley, Mrs. Catherine Benoit, Mrs. Fidelia T. King, William H. Baker, Kara Minahan, Dr. James P. McAdams, Mrs. Margaret Galvan.

September—Mrs. Charlotte Morrison, Mrs. Emma S. Claus David, Mrs. Lucy C. David, Emery F. Blodgett, Mrs. Genevieve M. Cronin, John J. Keefe, Mrs. Esther P. Whitman, Artemas H. Woodworth, Fred Horne.

October—Alison Sweatt, Patrick Conway, Oliver Jesse Trull, Mrs. Flora C. Trull, Ezra A. Chase, Mrs. Jessie A. Haines, Benjamin J. Begin, Rev. Joseph P. Kennedy, Mrs. Elizabeth Fuller, Mrs. Charlotte F. Ward, Miss Mary J. Martin, James Johnson, Stephen Thurston, Wyman, Lawrence J. Pillsbury, Mrs. Mary McKinnon, Daniel A. Swan, Capt. Edwin Bartlett.

November—Jeremiah Carkill, Mrs. Ann Isherwood, Charles H. Huse, Frank P. Stuart, Edwin J. Hill, Rev. I. Caleb E. Fisher, D. D., Mrs. Etta M. Stocks, Edward P. Sargent, Charles P. Hopkins, George H. Taylor, Walter Jewett, Mrs. Elizabeth H. Lane.

December—Mrs. Emily Alice Corcoran, Mrs. Grace Amelia Sherwood, Mrs. Bridget Varley, Sarah Elizabeth Hayes, Mrs. Elizabeth Churchill; at Boston, Frank P. Jewett, Thomas Scott, Mrs. Margaret Manley Farley, Cornelius McGuire, James A. Thompson, Mrs. Jessie Bailey, Annie Doherty, Michael McGarthy.

FREEZING WEATHER

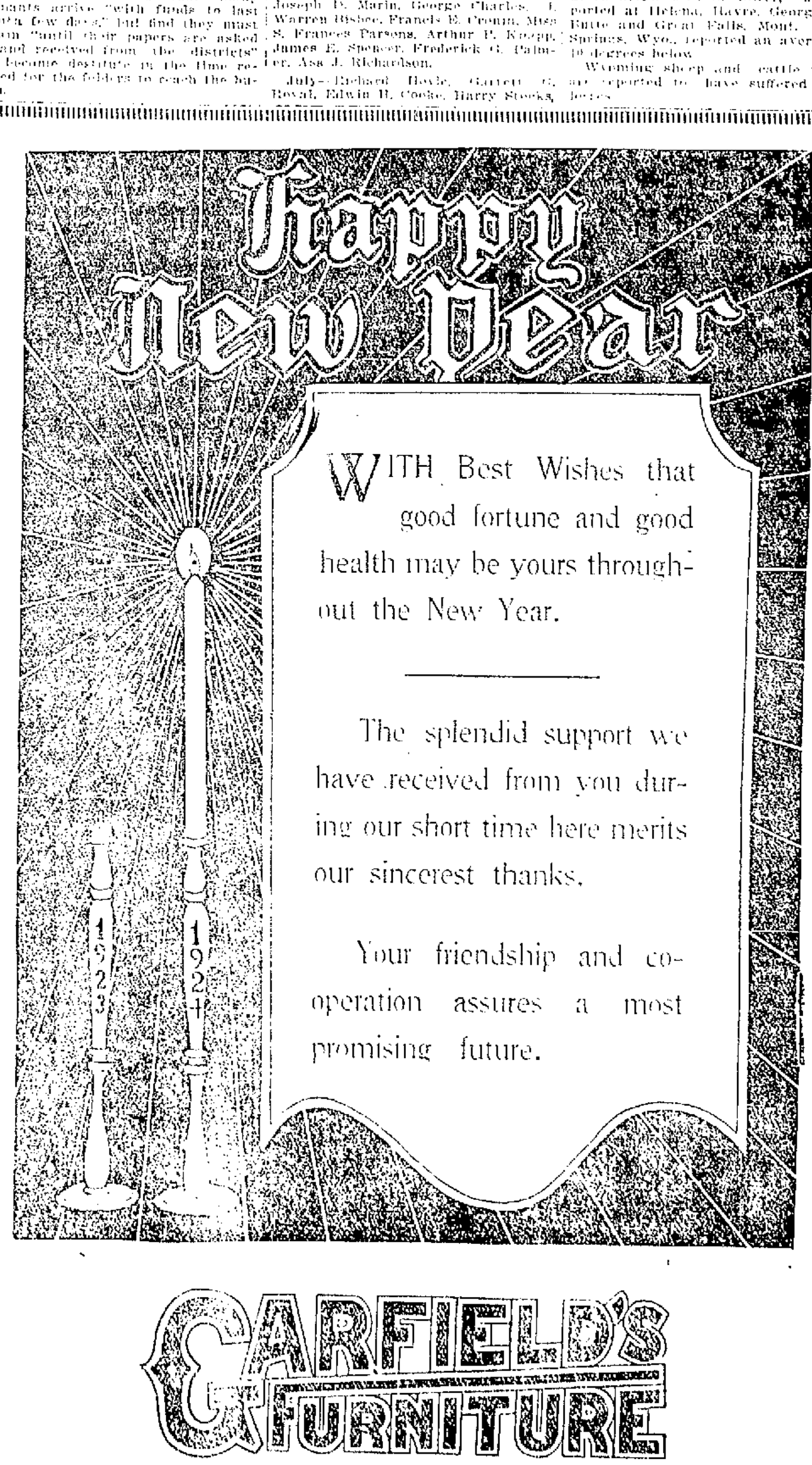
Lowering Temperatures Symbolized Waning of Old Year in Northwest

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 31.—Lowering temperatures symbolized the waning of the old year throughout the Pacific northwest today, freezing weather being reported from nearly all points and zero or below from points east of the Cascade mountains.

A Puget Sound steamer was torn from her moorings near Seattle and piled on the rocks at Meadow Point, a wreck, while a stiff wind was reported blowing down from western Canada and Alaska with further chill promised.

From the Cascades to the Rockies snow fell. Lowest temperatures were reported from Montana, though spreading into Wyoming, Colorado and western Nebraska. Mercury at 25 degrees below zero or lower, was reported at Helena, Havre, Georgetown, Butte and Great Falls, Mont. Rock Springs, Wyo., reported an average of 10 degrees below.

Wyoming sheep and cattle raisers are reported to have suffered heavy losses.



NEW CARDINALS

Evariste Lucidi, papal auditor (top), and Mgr. Aurelio Galli (bottom photo), director general of the Vatican, recently were created cardinals at a consistory.

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City of Lowell

NOTICE OF HEARINGS

The City Council of the City of Lowell will give hearings at its room, City Hall, Tuesday, January 15 1924, at 7.45 o'clock p. m., on the following petitions, to wit:

Standard Oil Company of New York

For a license to keep, store, use and sell gasoline, in and from 3 tanks (capacity 1000 gals. each) buried in the ground at premises 256 Westford street.

Imperial Upholstering Co.

For a license to keep, store and use gasoline, in and from a tank (capacity 550 gals.) buried in the ground at premises 1395 Middlesex street.

By order of the City Council,

STEPHEN FLYNN, Clerk.

Dec. 29, 1923.

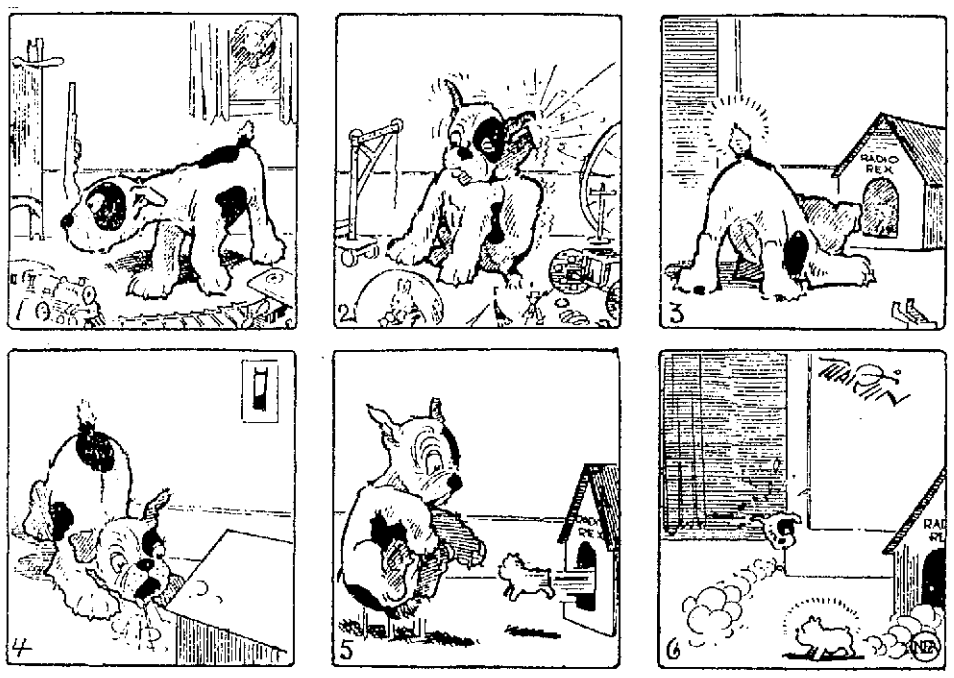
OUT OUR WAY

OUR BOARDING HOUSE

TWO DIED IN THIS EXPLOSION

This is all that remained of the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Brumbaugh in Johnsville, O., when a lighting plant exploded in the basement. Mr. and Mrs. Brumbaugh were killed by the blast, which blew the house several feet in the air, then dismembered it. The three Brumbaugh children, who were in the home, escaped with slight injuries.

TAKEN FROM LIFE



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EVERY well-dressed woman takes great pride in the dainty, fresh appearance of her personal wash garments.

It is often difficult to get good results with ordinary starch that forms a sticky jelly when it cools. For this pasty starch clots and smears when you try to iron clothes.

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Linit is a scientific starch—distinctly different from ordinary, old-fashioned starches. Linit gives that soft, cool, pliable finish to all fabrics, making even cotton goods look and feel like expensive linen.

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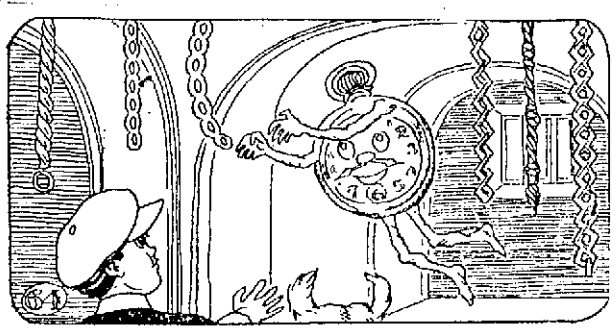
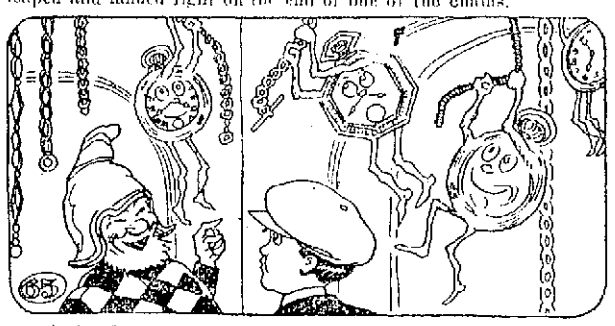
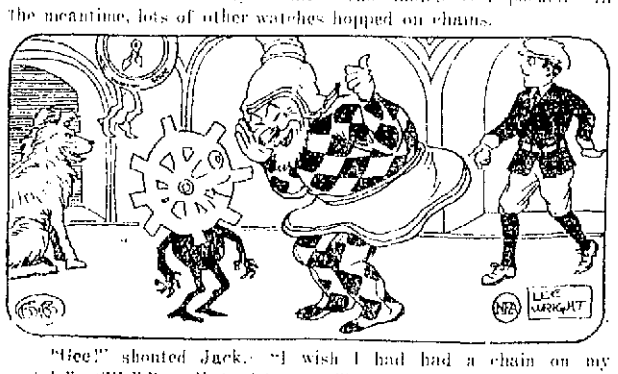
Jack Daw's Adventures. Chapter 22



On the way to the work shop Jack passed through a room where a lot of long gold chains were hanging. He was just about to ask Ticky what they were for, when a watch, something like his own came running into the room. Suddenly this watch leaped and landed right on the end of one of the chains.



Jack, of course, was startled to see this, and Ticky started to laugh. "Don't be surprised at anything you see in the Tower of Ticks," he said. "That is only a pocket watch hopping onto the chain that will carry it into some man's vest pocket. In the meantime, lots of other watches hopped on chains.



"Gee!" shouted Jack. "I wish I had had a chain on my watch." "Well," replied Ticky, "we'll see if we can arrange to have your watch hop right on one of these chains." And then Ticky called one of his little Tocks and whispered something in his ear. "Sure," said the Tock, and disappeared. (Continued.)

ADVENTURES OF THE TWINS
by Olive Roberts Barton

THE CHRISTMAS-TREE HOUSE

"WHY, WE'RE ON TOP OF THE CHURCH STEEPLE!"

Away went the Twins on Daddy Gander's magic dustpan to Daddy Gander Land.

They could see it long before they arrived with its funny, lovely houses, and its dear, queer streets, and its odd, delightful lanes.

There was the house that Jack built, and the school house of the Ten-o'Clock-Scholar, and everything.

Suddenly Daddy Gander shaded his eyes from the sun and a worried look gathered upon his usually good-natured brow. "Yes, sir! That's it as sure, as you're alive!" he declared "and he promised me he wouldn't. What would I do if Mother Goose were to get back before me?"

"Whatever in the world are you talking about?" asked Nick. "Is it a secret?"

"No," answered Daddy Gander. "Look and see for yourselves. Secret! I should say not! It's the mill! Popleton Bun, the miller, promised me that he wouldn't grind so much as a mustard seed while I was away and he's broken his promise. There will be chaff and flour dust over everything in the place and Mother Goose will be terribly peeved. She just finished sweeping up the whole place before he went away, and her last words were, 'Now, Daddy Gander, I'm leaving everything in your charge. I want you to keep everything as spick and span as you know how. And don't let that fat miller man run his mill, and don't let the sandman spill any of his mussy sand.'"

"Well, you can't help it, can you?" said Nancy.

"Yes, at least I could have, but it's too late now," sighed Daddy Gander. "I should have stayed at home and looked after things, but I have the worst memory. I forgot!"

At that minute they arrived. The magic dustpan stopped, and they were just about to jump off when Daddy Gander happened to look over the edge. "Mercy me on us. Why, we're on top of the church steeple!" he cried. "A single step would kill us! Dear me!" he added, "what's getting to be the matter with you? It's bad enough for me to be getting absent-minded, without you! Now take me out of here and put me down in front of the Christmas-Tree House that I fixed up for the Twins to live in. You know where it is! Next door to Bo Peep's and right across the street from Missez Spratt's. A Christmas Tree House is a house you fix up with lights and doll furniture and put under a Christmas-Tree."

The magic dustpan gave a wiggle and wiggled itself off the steeples. And after they'd all gone, the tin rooster that swung on a rod and told which way the wind blew, flapped his wings and crowed loudly and indignantly.

"Well, I declare!" he cackled. "Such an insult! To be treated like a doormat! It's high time Mother Goose was coming home!"

In the meantime the dustpan had taken the travelers down to the street and deposited them in front of the Christmas-Tree House.

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THAINS TO AND FROM BOSTON

Southern Division

To Boston Lve.	Arr.	Fr. Boston Lve.	Arr.
5.20	6.40	2.80	3.10
5.28	7.26	6.00	7.08
b6.30	7.50	7.35	8.33
6.44	7.50	b8.15	9.30
6.56	8.00	9.00	9.39
7.12	8.00	10.00	10.40
7.56	8.37	12.30	1.11
9.01	9.43	a1.05	2.05
10.03	11.03	a1.20	2.40
11.17	12.00	2.15	3.11
12.07	1.00	2.50	3.41
1.51	2.38	4.00	4.42
3.45	3.48	4.05	5.24
a3.30	4.32	5.00	5.42
4.00	4.45	b5.21	6.49
4.12	5.26	5.38	6.38
5.30	6.40	5.50	7.17
b6.05	7.32	6.14	7.18
6.58	7.45	8.00	8.41
8.24	9.05	8.30	9.11
9.58	10.50	10.30	11.40
		11.35	12.40

Portland Division

To Boston Lve.	Arr.	Fr. Boston Lve.	Arr.
6.35	7.36	z6.35	8.21
10.54	12.19	10.35	11.53
5.14pm	6.55	3.20	4.30
7.12	8.26	5.14	6.19
10.20	11.33	6.55	8.14
		9.55	11.17

Sunday Trains Portland Division

12.17	1.21	3.30	4.15
3.40	4.41	5.10	6.45
6.20	7.31	8.45	9.50
8.55	10.10		

Sunday Trains Southern Division

6.44	7.30	8.45	9.55
7.12	8.08	10.00	10.39
8.30	9.40	10.30	11.19
9.13	10.10	1.00	2.04
10.20	11.17	5.30	6.24
2.52	3.35	7.15	8.25
4.10	5.04	8.00	8.41
6.58	7.45	8.30	9.11
8.06	8.56	9.25	10.35
9.38	10.50	10.45	12.02
9.58	11.50		

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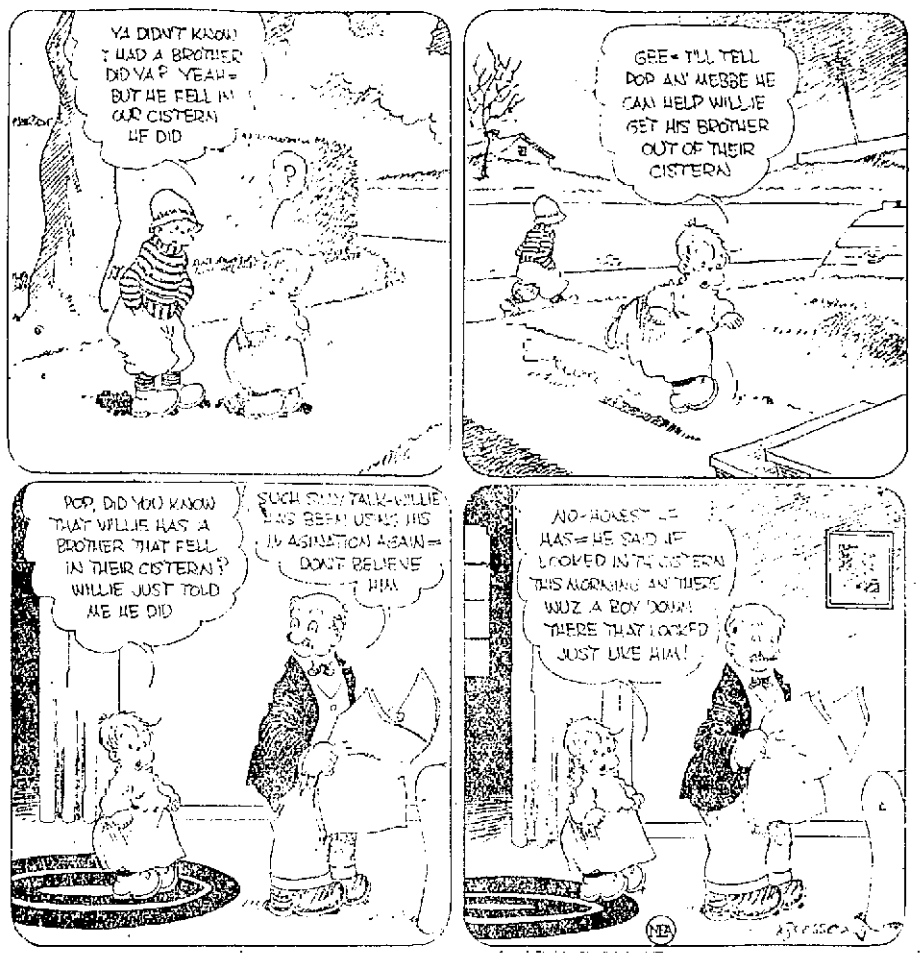
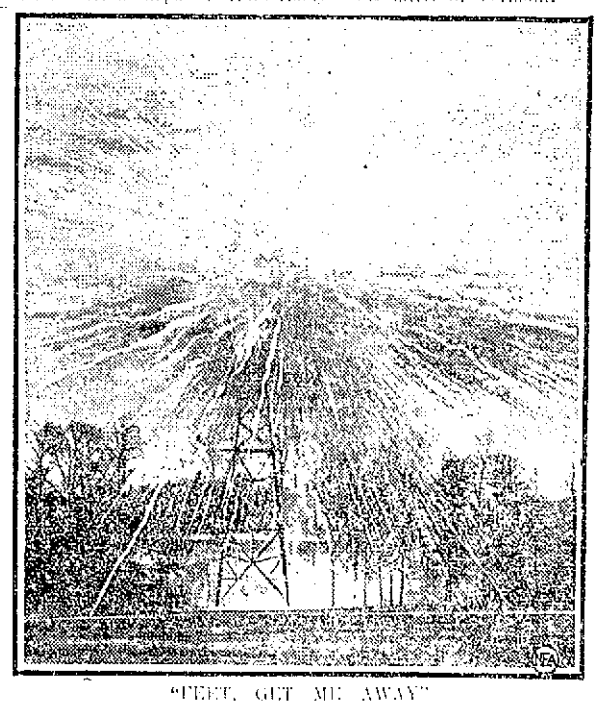


SHE'S PRESIDENT'S AUNT

Mrs. Emily P. S. Moore, President Coolidge's "dear Aunt Emily," is conducting one of the registration booths in the Safe Drivers Club's membership campaign in Washington. Like her illustrious nephew, "Aunt Emily" is a native of Vermont.



"FEET, GET ME AWAY"

Army officials in the vicinity of Washington, D. C., are testing new high explosives. The camera caught a 25-pound white phosphorous bomb when it exploded. This bomb is for an air attack and is made for smoke and incendiary purposes.

Announcements

LOST AND FOUND 2

FIRESTONE TIRE and rim, mounted, 34x5, lost. Reward H. James & Son, Inc., 259 Mt. Vernon st.

LADY'S POCKETBOOK containing sum of money lost last Saturday afternoon on Merrimack st., Cardinal O'Connell parkway or on Market st. Reward if returned to 14 Second ave.

BLACKISH BROWN ANGORA CAT with white nose and front, lost about week ago. Return 255 Walker st.

FUR NECKPIECE lost at Keith's theatre Friday afternoon. Reward 18 Dantey st.

GOLD CHAIN KNIFE with Masonic charm lost. Reward Tel. 354-J

FOUNTAIN PEN lost from Congress st. to Davis sq. Reward at 161 Congress st. or Tel. 4882-J.

TORTOISE SHELL GLASSES lost Wednesday on Bridge, Prescott, Central or Middlesex sts. Reward 80 Fourth st.

SMALL POCKETBOOK containing small sum of money found. Inquire Mr Brown. Tel. 178.

BLACK RIMMED GLASSES lost. Return 24 Barclay st. Reward.

MISCELLANEOUS

$20 OFFERED FOR THIS BOOK, "Overland to California in 1849," by Joseph Sedgley. Address John L. Hitchcock, 1049 Powell street, San Francisco, California.

by Dr. C. C. Robinson

RELAXATION

Work when you work, play when you play. So says the old rhyme and there are germs of truth in its teaching, of course, we know that play is, psychologically speaking, a half-way stage between work and rest. In the stress and strain of busy working lives, there must be some well regulated amount of actual rest.

Although the average person does not think much about it or realize the fact or extent, every bodily power takes a certain amount of rest or relaxation after exertion. We must do it or the nerves and muscles of our bodies will refuse to function properly. The man or woman who has the spirit of constant action, even refusing to give attention to proper rest, sleep or recreation, to say nothing of keeping up the tense nervous strain, is rapidly going to smash.

The power to relax, when fatigue of mind or muscle comes, is one of the great safeguards of health.

The busy housewife will find a great relief to her overtaxed bodily powers if she takes her relaxation by simply stopping during the busy period and lying down on her back, closing her eyes and permitting muscle to rest perfectly. Relaxation is a kind of short vacation between the hurrying duties of the daily grind.

Simple and rest restoring forms of relaxation are a cold spray or shower bath alternated with hot. This affords an excellent tone for tired nerves and muscles and rouses the blood to stimulating activities. Sometimes restless people are greatly benefited by quiet walks emphasizing deep rhythmic breathing which will often produce restful sleep and complete relaxation.

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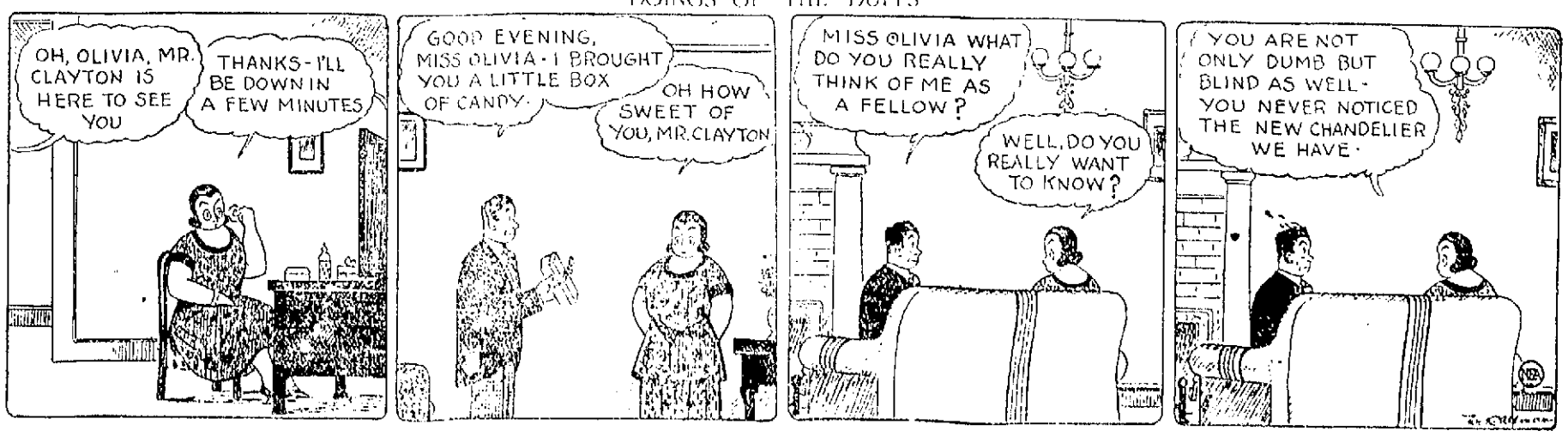

LOCAL FIRE DAMAGE FOR ELEVEN MONTHS NEARLY $500,000

Fiske Block Fire Biggest of the Year—Damage Amounted to $115,005.02—Meadowcroft Street Fire Damage Was $59,057—19 Fires Over $5000 Each

A total of 19 fires resulting in losses of $5000 or over, occurred during the first 11 months of this year, the total loss from the fires being almost half a million dollars. This is compared with a total of 17 fires with losses of $5000 or over in the year 1922, the total loss being less than in 11 months this year.

By far the worst fire this year occurred on the morning of Nov. 4, when the Fiske block at the corner of Central and Jackson streets was damaged to the extent of $115,005.02. The second most disastrous fire of this year occurred May 15 when the plant of J. A. Thompson on Meadowcroft street and a large quantity of lumber was destroyed. The loss incurred is totalled $59,057. The third largest fire of the year occurred Nov. 12, when the storehouse of David Ziskind on Tanner street was razed and the business establishment of the H. W. Clark Biscuit company adjoining it was badly damaged. The loss at this fire amounted to $46,898.92.

During the first 11 months of this year there were 256 alarms, bell, telephone and still, for fires where some damage was done to buildings or their contents.

Fires $5000 and Over

The following is a list of all fires where the damage amounted to $5000 or more as given on the records of the fire department: Jan. 16, A. Wolff, 111 Chelmsford street, $13,765.50; Jan. 20, J. K. Whittier, 72 Canton street, $6273.71; Jan. 21, J. E. Carroll, 21 Florence avenue, $5500; Jan. 28, J. E. Carroll, 279-285 Dutton st., $7898.01; Feb. 19, Appleton Co., 225-285 Middlesex street, $23,121; Feb. 21, S. H. Rostler, 21 Davenport terrace, $13,928; Feb. 25, Mrs. C. Palmer, 129 Fairmount, $11,000; March 12, P. A. Sakellarios, 366-374 Market, $5338; March 23, high school annex, Paige street, $31,350; May 15, Associate building, $14,710.17; May 18, J. A. Thompson, Meadowcroft street, $59,057; June 2, Scannell Bros., Tanner street, $8,889.87; July 30, B. F. Demaille and C. H. Willis, 12 Kearney square, $8133.96; Aug. 19, B. E. Gates, 185 Branch street, $5680.16; Sept. 2, Mass. Cities Realty company, Jackson street, $11,520.73; Sept. 8, John P. Quinn estate, Dix street, $7020; Nov. 1, Fiske building, Peter Roach, trustee, Central and Jackson streets, $115,005.02; Nov. 12, David Ziskind, Scannell Boiler Works, et als, Tanner street, $46,898.92; Nov. 29, P. O'Hearn, 148 Warren street, $9274.67. The total loss incurred in the above 19 fires is $405,691.01.

While the official records for December are not complete, it is believed that the only fire resulting in damage of over $5000 occurred last Saturday when the screening plant of the Horne Coal company was damaged to the extent of $8000.

One Fireman Killed

One fireman, William T. Foss of Hose 9, was killed while in the performance of his duty during the past year and several were injured. Hoseman Foss received fatal injuries when he fell from a building on Tanner street where a small fire was in progress and landed against the coupling of a freight car standing on a nearby sidetrack. Two firemen were injured at the Associate building fire when the ladder they were on slipped and threw them to the ground and four were slightly injured at the fire in the apartment house at 21 Davenport terrace, owned by S. H. Rostler.

Firemen Hurt at Pihl Fire

Continued

fire was about under control an alarm was sounded from box 412, at Main and Plain streets. Police Supt. Atkinson and Lieut. Frawley rushed there in the police machine, followed by Fire Chief Saunders in his car, a hook and ladder truck and one chemical apparatus. They found a small blaze that was quickly attended to and the detachment returned to the Pihl fire.

Trolley and automobile traffic was at a standstill for over an hour, many autos being trapped between lines of hose over which the police would not permit them to pass.

The firemen worked under an unusual handicap. The building is beside a brook and as a result parts thereof were quite inaccessible. Six streams of water were kept on the building until the stubborn blaze was conquered.

Incendiarism Theory Advanced

The origin of the fire is undetermined, although police are conducting an exhaustive investigation into the possibility of incendiarism. There have been incendiary fires in that vicinity, the most recent and notable being at the Quinn coal yards.

The snow-covered roofs on adjoining buildings provided more than ample protection as the blaze was confined within the building for the most part. The fire had its inception on the second floor, about in the middle of the building, and made rapid headway. Fire damage is confined to the second and third floors. Water damage to goods on the first floor of the building will be heavy.

That there was little wind and that a heavy wet snowfall was in progress contributed greatly in keeping the fire within bounds. The heat from the flames was intense, melting glass in several windows in the rear of the second and third stories.

Owner Visited Building Twice

Mr. Pihl, who lives at 208 Princeton street, was at a loss to definitely determine the cause of the fire and said last night that he could not attempt to make an estimate of his loss without making a thorough inventory. It will run into the thousands, he said. He has some insurance, but it will be insufficient to anywhere near meet the loss, he said.

Opinions, even of experts, on the value of second hand furniture, vary so widely that an appraisal will probably have to be made before the amount of loss can be officially determined.

Mr. Pihl, in speaking to a reporter for The Sun during the course of the fire, said that he had visited the store at 1.30 in the afternoon and had walked all through the building. That everything was all right at the time he was certain. Later, at about 7.30, he was in the place again, but did not go through the upper floors.

Efforts last night to determine the cause of the blaze were fruitless. There has been no coal fire in the store this winter, Mr. Pihl said last night. Two time-worn causes, often used, were exploded in conversation with Mr. Pihl. No matches are kept in the building, which would tend to destroy the "rats and matches" theory. "Defective wiring" is useless because of the fact that the building is illuminated by gas and there are no wires connected to or within the building.

At Lowell Corporation hospital it was said that Capt. Tom Collins sustained numerous bruises and abrasions and a fractured ankle. His brother was not seriously injured.

OTHER SUNDAY FIRES

Possibility That Incendiarism Caused Blaze at Lantagne Glue and Ink Factory

Two small fires in addition to the two-alarm furniture store blaze last night kept firemen busy from early evening until nearly midnight. During the course of the Pihl fire a small fire at the glue and ink factory of Joseph T. Lantagne, in Plain street, required attention. This blaze was nipped before it had gained much headway.

This is the second fire to occur in the plant within two weeks and a rigid investigation has been ordered by Police Supt. Atkinson who hold to the incendiarism theory.

A large crowd was attracted to the square last night when box 26 was sounded for a small blaze on the fourth floor of the Fairburn building. The fire was confined wholly to the office of Maurice Berlofsky and a pipe containing burning tobacco, found in a waste basket by the firemen, is held responsible for the fire.

MATRIMONIAL

In the beautiful chapel of the Immaculate Conception rectory this morning, Miss Mary E. McCartin, a popular resident of the Oaklands, and J. Frederick Gannon, manager of the Dover, N. H. telephone exchange, were united in marriage by Rev. James P. McCartin, O.M.I., a brother of the bride. In attendance at the ceremony were Very Rev. Lawrence F. Tighe, O.M.I., Oblate provincial, and Rev. James J. McCartin, O.M.I., a cousin of the bride.

The ceremony took place at a nuptial mass at 9 o'clock. The bridesmaid was Miss Anna S. McCartin, sister of the bride, and the best man was Chas. E. Cowdrey of Billerica. During the service, "O Promise Me" was sung by Mr. William Gookin, while Mrs. Frank McCartin rendered "Nata Nobis."

The bride was attractively attired in a gown of white Elizabeth bridal satin with ermine and pearls, and wore a bridal veil caught with orange blossoms and chantilly lace. She carried a shower bouquet of lilies of the valley and orchids. The bridesmaid wore a dress of orchid chiffon and a picture hat to match. She carried a bouquet of sweet peas.

After the ceremony, a sumptuous wedding breakfast was served at the home of the bride's parents, 236 Rogers street, by Caterer Lydon. The house was tastily decorated with potted palms and flowers.

The happy couple left later in the day on an extended honeymoon and upon their return will reside in Dover, N. H., where they will be pleased to receive their friends after Feb. 1.

Matte—Desmarais

A pretty wedding took place this morning at St. Louis' church when Mr. Louis G. Matte, a prominent member of the clerical staff of the Lowell Electric Light Corp. and Miss Sybil Y. Desmarais, chief clerk in the law office of J. Gilbert Hill and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Napoleon Desmarais of Fisher st. were united in the holy bonds of matrimony. The ceremony, which was largely attended, was performed at a high nuptial mass celebrated at 8 o'clock by Rev. F. N. Gauthier. The choir, under the direction of Olier J. David, rendered appropriate music, with orchestra accompaniments, Miss Ida Mongrain presiding at the organ. During the service solos were sustained by Mr. E. S. Desmarais and Mrs. Marie Louise Chalifoux, while Mr. Wilfrid Morin of Lawrence rendered a cornet selection. The bride was attired in white brocaded georgette crepe trimmed with pearls; she also wore a veil with wreath and carried a shower bouquet of bridal roses and lilies of the valley. She was given away by her father, Mr. Napoleon Desmarais while the groom was attended by his father, Mr. Sinaie Matte. At the close of the ceremony a wedding breakfast was served at the home of the bride's parents, 63 Fisher street and in attendance from out of town were Mr. and Mrs. Antoine Morin and son, Wilfrid of Lawrence, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Desmarais and son, Henry of Derry, N. H., Mrs. Horace Morse of Cambridge, and Mrs. Florence Crowley of Andover. The happy couple, who were the recipients of numerous wedding gifts left on a honeymoon trip to Boston, Providence, R. I., New York and Bermuda and will be at home to their friends at 63 Fisher street after Feb. 1. The ushers at the church and home were Messrs Charles Cote and Ralph Matte. Saturday evening the classmates of the bride at Notre Dame academy, class '21, 41 in number, gathered at her home and tendered her a linen shower. Musical and literary numbers were given and buffet luncheon was served. Mr. and Mrs. Matte will be tendered a reception on Saturday evening, Jan. 12, at the home of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sinaie Matte, 8 Endicott street.

Carleton—Moore

Mr. Lessie W. Carleton of Boston and Miss Matilda Mae Moore of North Chelmsford were united in marriage Saturday evening at the home of the bride's parents in Hall street by Rev. W. D. Harrison, pastor of the Congregational church, North Chelmsford. The bride wore a becoming gown of blue canton crepe and carried a bouquet of bridal roses. She was attended by Miss Jennie Moore, who wore blue satin and carried pink roses. Mr. Robert Moore, brother of the bride, acted as best man. The bride presented her bridesmaid with a string of pearls, while the best man received a pair of cuff links from the bridegroom. A reception was tendered the bridal couple following the ceremony, after which Mr. and Mrs. Carleton left on an extended wedding trip to New York and other places of interest. Upon their return they will make their home at 247 Chestnut avenue, Jamaica Plain, Boston, where they will be at home to friends after Feb. 1, 1924.

EAGLES' NOTICE

The next regular meeting of Lowell Aerie will be held Monday evening, Dec. 31, in Eagles hall at 7.30 o'clock.

Auction Pitch will be played after the meeting.

Suitable prizes will be given to the winners.

Per order,

THOMAS F. QUINN, W. Pres.,
JOHN M. HOGAN, Sec.

Another Year—Another Grain of Sand

10-YEAR-OLD BOSTON GIRL STABS BOY

BOSTON, Dec. 31.—When words failed to express her contempt and outraged feelings against boys who tried to monopolize the excellent coasting along Third street, South Boston, yesterday afternoon, 10-year-old Polly Ridzvin of 44 Billerica street, West End, drew from her pocket a knife and, in true "moving picture" style, drove the blade into the shoulder of John Lyons, 10 years old, of 368 Athens street, South Boston.

According to some of the children who had witnessed the display of temper, Polly, who was visiting her chum, Frances Norkytis of 293 Bolton street, undertook to champion the cause of the girls, whom the boys were trying to drive away. She picked out the Lyons boy who, for all his immature years, seemed to be the ring leader, and after trying to put him to flight with her fists, resorted to the more primitive methods of a knife.

Officers Murphy and Griffin of the Athens street police station, arrived on the scene and dispelled the small rioters, and then took the injured boy to the office of Dr. John P. Jones at 392 West Broadway, where his wound was dressed.

On account of the extreme youth of the girl, the police state, it is doubtful whether any action will be taken in the matter by the authorities.

MR. AND MRS. STANLEY CHRYSLER INJURED

Mrs. Stanley H. Chrysler of 258 Gibson street is confined to the Lowell General hospital suffering from injuries received late yesterday afternoon when the automobile in which she and her husband were riding skidded into a tree near the Chelmsford-Westford line. Her husband, who is president and general manager of the North Chelmsford Machine and Supply company, is also confined at the same hospital suffering from injuries received when he fell down a flight of stairs in a house near the scene of the accident from which he had telephoned to this city for medical assistance for his wife.

Neither Mr nor Mrs. Chrysler was seriously injured and both were reported this forenoon as resting very comfortably.

YES, WE ATE SOME BANANAS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Every man, woman and child in the United States ate two-thirds of a bunch of bananas during 1923 or at least the total number of bananas consumed, if divided equally among the entire population, would have given that amount. During that year 45,092,892 bunches of bananas were imported into the country valued at $[illegible]. Who said we have no banana here? I'm not the man.

RECEIVERS FOR TRACTOR CO.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31. Federal receivers today were appointed for the Gray Tractor Co., Inc., with offices in New York and a plant in Minneapolis.

An equity action brought by Charles Fuller & Co. with a claim of $7530, resulted in the appointment. The complaint estimated liabilities at $377,000 and assets at $156,000.

YULETIDE PARTY

A social and dance in aid of St. Columba's building fund will be held in Associate hall, Wednesday evening. Miner-Doyle's orchestra will furnish the music.

BIG RUSH FOR LICENSES

Local Motor Vehicle Registration Office Scene of Great Activity Today

Tardy motor vehicle 1924 license registrants "flocked to the polls" this morning in masses that actually choked the branch offices in the Mongeau building and at one time filled the stairways leading from the building entrance.

Motorists for nearly every section of Middlesex county hustled to the local registration bureau crowding the offices long before 8 a. m., with lines of men and women that overflowed into hallways and stairs shortly after 10 o'clock.

It was the biggest and busiest day of the season at the registration offices. Room 210 and 211 were filled early, many registrants from nearby country towns reaching the offices at that hour because of threatening storm conditions and their desire to get back to their home before road conditions became any worse.

Fitchburg and Worcester were represented today, oddly enough. Applicants came also from as far as Weston and Maynard on the south and southeast. Winchester was also represented. Saturday's list of licenses issued was 551 and Friday's but 150. More than 1,600 licenses were issued this morning before 11 o'clock, which makes it a big day already.

WOOLEN SPINNERS ELECT OFFICERS

Members of Woolen Spinners' local, U. T. W. of A., assembled in Trades and Labor hall, Central street, Saturday evening, elected officers for the coming year as follows:

President, Lewis Shea; vice president, Austin Jennard; recording secretary, Fred Baltzer; financial secretary and treasurer, George Allan; conductor, James Hand; warden, John Lowe; trustees, R. Yates, C. Friedman and T. Foley, auditors, M. Tully and E. Kenney. There was a social hour after the business meeting.

STOCKINGS $300 A PAIR IN PARIS

PARIS, Dec. 31. The newest (and most expensive) fad in Paris is stockings made of pure silver thread. The thread is drawn out to remarkable fineness and is nearly as soft as silk. The effect when worn with silvered shoes is gorgeous. And they cost only $300 a pair.

Will Give New Year Enthusiastic Welcome

Continued

night shows, particularly Keith's, the Opera House and The Strand. The Keith show will start promptly at 11 o'clock and will continue until well after the midnight hour. A specially engaged musical comedy company will give a performance at the Opera House, beginning at 11.45 o'clock, after the regular presentation of this week's play by the stock company. The Strand picture show will continue until the small morning hours.

Among the clubs which will hold open house and jollifications are the Lafs, South End club and Broadway club. The South End program is in the nature of a banquet to be held at Odd Fellows hall, Middlesex street.

The chimes of St. Anne's will peal out a welcome to the new year at midnight and there will be a special service from 11 until 12 o'clock. A service and pageant at All Souls also will begin at 11 p.m. Many of the other Protestant churches will conduct watch night services.

If all of the many celebrations will be held indoors, no one will be disturbed by the disagreeable weather in prospect, nor will the cold rain falling today in any degree dampen the spirit of the occasion.

49,500 IRISH RESIDENTS KILLED IN WORLD WAR

DUBLIN, Dec. 31.—The Irish war memorial committee has completed and published a full list of the Irish dead in the great war. They numbered 49,500. No name is included save men actually residents of Ireland on enlistment. It is exclusive of the Irish-born men who served from the British Dominions or other countries. The committee has figured that Ireland alone sent 300,000 men to fight in the war.

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J. F. Donohoe, 222-223 Hildreth bldg. real estate and insurance. Telephone.

Fire and liability insurance. Daniel J. O'Brien, Wyman's Exchange.

Cote's Taxi Service. 151 Paige st. Tel. 1823-W.

Cadets Daniel J. Martin and Edward E. Martin, sons of Mr. and Mrs. David P. Martin, will return to Annapolis tomorrow after a 10 day vacation here.

Hon. James B. Casey will be the speaker at the weekly meeting of the Rotary club of Newburyport on Wednesday noon. Mayor Michael J. Cashman of Newburyport will preside.

Harry H. Blunt, Nashua manufacturer, died suddenly at his home there Saturday, leaving a widow and two daughters. Mr. Blunt was a trustee of Dartmouth college and was 48 years old. Among his clubs was the Vesper of Lowell.

Rev. Robbins W. Barstow, pastor of the First Congregational church, Concord, N. H., who addressed the Congregational club here recently, has resigned his pastorate to accept a call to Madison, Wisconsin.

Miss Ellen A. Stillings, principal of the Eliot school, has been re-elected to the teachers' retirement board. Commissioner of Education Payson A. Smith and Harry Smalley of Fall River are the two other board members.

Among the Lowell students at Dartmouth college who are at home for vacation are Philip Molloy, S. Abbott Lamson and John Harvey.

The public and parochial schools of Lowell, the State Normal school and the Lowell Textile school will open on Wednesday, Jan. 2, 1924, for the commencement of the second semester.

Leonard Huntress, Jr., and Mrs. Huntress spent the holidays with his parents. He resides in New Jersey in the same town with Gov. Seizer of New Jersey who, he says, is a very fine man and is mentioned as a "well" candidate for vice president on the democratic ticket.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Berkeley Carrington, of Danville, Va., have been spending the holidays at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Ella W. Simpson, of 201 Nesmith street, Lowell. Mrs. Carrington was formerly Miss [illegible] Simpson of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Eveleth announce the engagement of their daughter, Clive, to Carroll Wilmot Peck, of Providence, R. I. The announcement was first made public at a luncheon given at the Nashua Country club on Saturday, by Mrs. Harold H. Fletcher and Miss Helen Eveleth, in honor of Mrs. Harry Spencer of Baltimore, Md.

Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Coll of 749 East Merrimack street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary Gertrude, to Frank J. Quinn of Syracuse, N. Y., son of Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Quinn, 78 Chambers street, this city. Mr. Quinn is a graduate of Northeastern, class of '20, and is assistant purchasing agent of the Lamson Co., Syracuse, N. Y.

MAYOR DONOVAN IS WORKING ON HIS INAUGURAL ADDRESS

Frank McNeil is Candidate for Position of Building Inspector—Mayor May Not Make Any Nominations On Inaugural Day, Monday, Jan. 7

Francis A. Connor, for the past 12 years city inspector of public buildings and Frank J. McNeil, one of Mayor Donovan's closest friends, are two avowed candidates for the position of building inspector next year.

Asked today if his mind is made up relative to the submission of a nomination to the city council for this place, Mayor John J. Donovan said he still is considering the matter and added that both men are candidates.

His Honor said further that he does not know whether or not he will make any nominations to the council on inauguration day, one week hence. At present he is working on his inaugural address, which will include a review of the work of his administration during 1923 and certain recommendations for 1924.

Inaugural exercises will be held on Monday, January 7, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon and will be decidedly simple in character. No invitations to attend will be sent out and the exercises will consist mainly of the mayor's inaugural, read to the council, and the taking of the oath of office by the nine ward councilors.

The school committee will meet at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, at which time the city clerk will administer the oath to Franklin E. Johnson and John H. Preston, the two new committeemen.

CALL FOR INTENSIFIED MISSIONARY WORK

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 31.—A world call for intensified missionary activity and a program of broader evangelical work in the Christian church in America, is the keynote of the quadrennial report of the executive committee submitted today to the Student Volunteer convention. The committee is composed of 30 members, 15 students representing upward of 7000 delegates in more than 1000 schools and colleges of the United States and Canada, and 15 representatives of some two score of evangelical denominations co-operating in the task of preparing college students for foreign fields.

The new program of the missionary, the report declares, involves nothing less than "transforming political, economic and social institutions the world over, to make them conform to the spirit of Christianity."

"Human welfare is threatened by war, economic selfishness and exploitation, race hatred and materialistic philosophers, which must be overcome by invigorated Christian enterprise and through the social application of the Christian gospel," it is declared.

"The absolute incompatibility of the war spirit with the missionary spirit and the christian ideal is becoming more and more apparent to thoughtful leaders of church and state," says a declaration on the "waste, cruelty and utter futility of war."

More than 100 new missionaries annually from the United States and Canada will be the minimum requirement in personnel to carry on the foreign work already instituted in more than 20 countries. It is the hope of church leaders, the report continues, that the new workers may be recruited largely from the ranks of college trained men and women.

The committee rejected the proposal of the American student fellowship for Christmas service that the two organizations amalgamate in support of a unified program embracing home missionary activity, as well as foreign work.

BOBBED HAIR OUT OF FASHION

PARIS, Dec. 31.—Girls, let your hair grow again. Bobbed hair is out of fashion, according to the decree of the Congress of Capillary Artists, as these European barbers call themselves. Here is what they have prescribed:

For young girls: Coiffure consisting of two wide tresses on the forehead and the hair falling over the shoulders.

For young women: Fluffy, curled hair, worn very low at the back. Long earrings.

For women over 30. Hair piled on top of the head. Narrow ribbon around the temples.

FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

ANNANDALE-ON-HUDSON, N. Y., Dec. 31. The football schedule of St. Stephen's college for 1924, shows games with Bowdoin at Brunswick, Me., on Sept. 27 and with Providence college at Providence, Oct. 25.

Yuletide Party
In Aid of St. Columba's Building Fund
ASSOCIATE HALL
Wednesday Evening, Jan. 2
MINER-DOYLE'S ORCHESTRA
ADMISSION ..... 50 CENTS

DANCE
TONIGHT AND TOMORROW NIGHT
Bay State Dancing School
265 DUTTON STREET
Ladies 40¢ — Checking Free — Gentlemen 50¢

HIGHLAND CLUB — TONIGHT
STRATFORDS WITH WRICKS' ORCHESTRA
Dancing 9 to 2 A. M. — Subscription 75¢

Tonite—Lincoln Hall
MOHAWKS' DANCE 8 P. M. to 4 A. M.

KASINO—TONIGHT
NEW YEAR'S SKATING PARTY
Commencing Tonight at 12 O'Clock
SKATING EVERY AFTERNOON AND EVENING

Welcome the New Year
TONIGHT
At Associate Hall
Monster Carnival and Dance
FAVORS, FUN, FROLIC, NOVELTIES, SOUVENIRS
Real New York Celebration
DANCE TILL 1. MINER-DOYLE'S ORCHESTRA
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New Year's Party
TUESDAY NIGHT
MINER-DOYLE'S ORCHESTRA——ADMISSION 50¢

THE WEATHER

Rain this afternoon; clearing and warmer tonight; Tuesday, fair, colder in the afternoon.

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New Year's Program

TONIGHT

New Year's Eve entertainment at All Souls Parish House, 9 to 11. Watch Night services in church, 11 to midnight.

Watch Night services at St. Anne's church, 11 to midnight. Organ recital 10.30 to 11. Ringing of chimes at midnight.

Church of Nazarene, First street, Watch Night services, beginning at 8.30.

Lawrence Street P. M. Church, Watch Night services, 11 to midnight.

Watch Night services at Matthews Memorial Church, 11 to midnight.

Watch Night services at St. John's Episcopal Church, 11 to midnight.

Central Baptist Church, Watch Night services, 8 to midnight.

Special New Year's Eve services in other churches.

Souvenir Dinner and Dance by Lowell Advertising Club, Memorial Auditorium, beginning at 6.30.

Ladies' Night by Lowell Lodge of Elks, Elks Home, Middle street, beginning at 8 p. m.

New Year's Dance with Supper at midnight by Vesper Country Club at Colonial Hall.

Dance at Highland Club by the Stratfords.

Monthly Conference and Dinner by Lowell Christian Endeavor Union at Worthen Street Baptist Church.

New Year's Party and Banquet by Broadway Social and Athletic Association at Club Rooms, 8 to 2.

Annual Banquet and Entertainment by South End Club, Hamilton Hall, Odd Fellows Building, beginning at 11.30 p. m.

Big New Year's Eve Novelty Dancing Party at Associate Hall, beginning at 8 o'clock.

Roller Skating Parties at the Crescent Rink and the Kasino.

Midnight Show and Celebration at Lowell Opera House, 11.30 p. m. to 1.30 a. m.

Banquet to Cast of "Under the Spotlight" by Y. M. C. I. at 7.30 o'clock.

Mohawk All Night Dance—Lincoln Club, 8 to 1.

New Year's Midnight Performance at Keith's, starting at 11 o'clock.

Continuous Movies at The Strand until midnight.

New Year's Eve Dinner and Cabaret at Marie's Restaurant, beginning at 9 o'clock.

Special New Year's Eve Shows in all theatres.

New Year's Eve Mock Trial and Entertainment by Mathew Temperance Institute at Wier Building, 10 p. m. until after midnight.

TOMORROW

Feast of the Circumcision in all the Catholic churches with masses in the morning and vesper services in the evening.

Laying of the Corner Stone of New Elks Home in Warren street, 12.30 p. m.

Boxing—Billy Murphy vs. "Bud" Dempsey, and three other bouts, at Crescent Rink at 3 p. m. under auspices of Moody Club.

Tomorrow Night—Dancing and Roller Skating in local halls and rinks, and special holiday bills in all the theatres.

Four Prisoners, One a Pal of Noted Mail Bandit, Tunnel Way to Freedom From Atlanta Prison

FIREMEN HURT AT PIHL FIRE

Capt. Tom Collins and Another Fireman Hurt at Two-Alarm Fire

Furniture Store of Victor Pihl Gutted by Spectacular and Stubborn Fire

Two firemen, Tom and Frank Collins, were injured shortly after 9.30 o'clock last night when a mysterious and spectacular two alarm fire gutted the furniture store of Victor Pihl at 679 Gorham street. Capt. Tom Collins of Engine 14 fell from a ladder while fighting the blaze in the three-story rickety frame building which was crammed to capacity with household furniture, most of it second hand. Frank Collins was struck and knocked down by Engine 3 while coupling hose.

Both accidents occurred almost upon arrival of men and apparatus at the scene of the blaze. The police ambulance had picked up the injured men and was well on its way to the Lowell Corporation hospital before the second alarm from box 223 Gorham and Thorndike streets had been pulled.

Blazed Like Tinder Box

A large crowd was present at the fire, flames from which could be seen from down-town. The old building, a ramshackle affair of two stories to which several ells and a third story had been added by the use of salvage lumber, blazed like a tinder box.

The police detail, with Lt. Frawley in active charge, was augmented by over a dozen officers off duty and in plain clothes who answered the second alarm.

Another Alarm During Fire

Just when it was apparent that the

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SENSATIONAL JAIL DELIVERY

Quartet Worm Their Way Out of Federal Penitentiary Through 50-Foot Tunnel

Narrow Passage Ran Under Concrete Wall Encircling the Prison

Most Daring Jail Delivery in History of Atlanta Penitentiary

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 31.—In the most sensational jail delivery in the history of the Atlanta federal penitentiary, four convicts, one a partner of Gerald Chapman, million dollar mail bandit, are at liberty after having wormed their way to freedom through a narrow 50 foot tunnel which ran under the concrete wall encircling the prison, late yesterday.

Of the quartet, the most notorious of the fugitives is George Anderson, who was serving a 25 years sentence

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CHURCH WAR IS RENEWED

Rev. Dr. Grant Declares Christmas Truce is Over as Far as He is Concerned

Rev. Dr. Stratton Says Anarchy Will Result if Bible is Torn to Pieces

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Efforts to settle without recourse to public discussion the doctrinal controversy in the Protestant Episcopal church, begun at a conference Friday at which modernist and conservative representatives were present, today appeared endangered by pulpit assertion yesterday that the Christmas truce requested in a diocesan letter from Bishop William T. Manning was at an end and that the inter-factional struggle would go on with renewed vigor.

Rev. Dr. Percy Stickney Grant, rector of the Church of the Ascension, a leading modernist, whose views last year,

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GOT TO WATCH YOUR STEP

Storm Makes Dangerous Walking—Extra Street Car Service This Evening

It looked like a real storm with eastern gale fringes early last evening, but the snowfall was not heavy and the storm turned to a misty, cold rain this morning, some of it freezing as it fell and making sidewalks and street passageways crusty for general footing purposes.

With weather predictions and indica-

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USES STEAM ROLLER TO DESTROY 400 STILLS

UNIONTOWN, Pa., Dec. 31.—Sheriff I. L. Shaw of Fayette county, today employed a steam roller to destroy 400 stills, confiscated in this region during the year. The stills were carried to a paved street in the rear of the county jail and the heavy roller went into action.

Last week the sheriff destroyed confiscated whiskey, moonshine and wine worth more than $300,000.

VISITS WHITE HOUSE

Gen. Butler Ames Called Upon President Coolidge Today

Special to The Sun

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31. Italy is making rapid progress out of post war economic depression, former Congressman Butler Ames of Lowell told Pres. Coolidge today. Gen. Ames has been in Italy six months and called at the White House to pay his respects to the president.

RICHARDS.

N. Y. AND BOSTON CLEARINGS

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Exchanges, $577,000,000; balances $59,000,000.

BOSTON, Dec. 31.—Exchanges, $37,000,000; balances, $26,000,000.

JEWELER SHOT BY BANDIT

Probably Mortally Wounded When He Refused to Open Safe in N. Y. Store

Grappled With Robber When Ordered to Open Safe and Throw Up Hands

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Bernard Brown, a Bronx jeweler, today was shot and perhaps mortally wounded by a bandit when he refused to open his safe.

Brown had just opened his store and was kneeling in front of his safe, when a black touring car containing three men drew and one bandit, armed with a pistol, entered the shop.

As Brown turned around the stranger told him to open the safe and then throw up his hands. Instead of obeying the jeweler grappled with the robber who fired two shots. Brown dropped with a wound in the abdomen.

The bandit ran to his confederates and fled in the car.

MAYOR DONOVAN'S NEW YEAR'S GREETING

Time [illegible] the advent of a new year. A year full of promise and hope; a year upon which we [illegible] happy expectation [illegible] achievements greater than we have ever before been privileged to perform. New Year's day is one of resolution and resolve. It poses public and elevating till our hearts as we contemplate the progress we will make and the good that we will do. That there may be abundant realization of the aims and ambitions which possess you is my sincere New Year's greeting to you, and fellow citizens.

May a community spirit strong and [illegible] in our [illegible] of effort and made us as a common band of citizens up which will circulate in us a fixed purpose to render individual service for public good. One may accept or evade civic responsibility, but service to others and the community in general has its compensation in the knowledge that one has done something worth while.

Lowell is a grand city. It has been good to you and to me during the past year. We have lived in an atmosphere of happiness, peace and contentment. I urge that you contribute even more to the civic ambitions and advancement during the new year. Let us meet one another with even greater confidence, good will and understanding and strive earnestly for a higher attainment of the best that may be found in community life.

May I pledge for the new year a conduct of the mayor's office in accord with the same standard of public service I now ask you to give to the end that our city and our people may enjoy a year of unbounded happiness and prosperity.

JOHN J. DONOVAN, Mayor

LOWELL WILL GIVE THE NEW YEAR ENTHUSIASTIC WELCOME

Special Programs at Theatres and Other Places of Amusement—New Year Parties at Restaurants—Watch-Night Services in Many Churches

Extremes of thought and action will mark Lowell's welcome to the new year at midnight tonight.

In scores of places music and jovial shouts of welcome will greet little 1924, while in direct contrast will be the religious watch night services in many churches. But in every instance new born hope will be manifest and there will be only messages of good cheer for the 12 months that stretch ahead.

Practically every available hall in [illegible] the city will have its full quota of merry-makers tonight and restaurants will house happy parties around friendly dinner tables. The two outstanding social events are the Ad club souvenir dinner at the Auditorium and the New Year's party by the Vesper Country club at Colonial hall. Each will be generously patronized and each will provide amusement aplenty for the persons who attend.

Theatres have arranged special mid-

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MEXICAN FEDERAL AND REBEL FORCES ENGAGED IN BIG BATTLE

American Army Officers Report Fighting in Progress at Camargo, on the Rio Grande—State and War Dept. Officials Discuss Sale of War Supplies

BROWNSVILLE, Tex., Dec. 31.—American army officers at Fort Ringgold today reported fighting between Mexican federal and rebel troops at Camargo, on the Rio Grande, 40 miles above Matamoros. The town is garrisoned by a small detachment of federal troops from Matamoros. No reports on the results of the battle were obtained at noon, but American military officers state that the firing, which started before daylight, was very heavy.

Two More Generals Join Rebels

BROWNSVILLE, Tex., Dec. 31.—Dispatches today from Vera Cruz claim that Gen. Lindor Hernandez and Lieut. Col. Trinidad del Rio, operating in the state of Puebla, have joined the revolution with 1000 men.

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Discuss Sale of War Supplies

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31. State and war department officials continued their consultations today over details of the plan to sell a quantity of war

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REBELS PROTEST SALE OF U. S. WAR SUPPLIES TO OBREGONISTS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—The De La Huerta faction in Mexico today filed with the state department a formal protest against the plan of the United States to sell war materials to the Mexico City government of General Obregon. The protest was signed by the De La Huerta confidential agent at New York. The Obregon authorities alone are recognized by the United States in its dealings with Mexico, and there was no indication what consideration the communication would receive at the state department.

VATICAN ISSUES DENIAL

ROME, Dec. 31.—The Vatican today issued a denial of published reports of its intention to establish a wireless broadcasting station.

NAMED ON COMMITTEES

Lowell Legislators Assigned to Committee Positions for Coming Year

Lowell representatives in the state legislature and senators whose districts include this city, have been assigned to committee positions for 1924 exactly the same as the posts held by them during the session of 1923.

Rep. Victor Francis Stewart again will serve as republican floor leader in the house and will be the chairman

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Police have issued a warning that check-workers are active in this city.

STREET DEPARTMENT CHAUFFEURS WILL RETURN TO WORK

Action Taken by Public Service Board After Lengthy Hearing—May Work or Loaf Without Pay on Rainy Days Hereafter is Understanding Reached

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Classes to Suit Everybody

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Under Supervision of the United States Government

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IMPORTANT NOTICE

Every member of the Broadway Social and Athletic Association is requested to be present at the rooms this evening at 11.30 to participate in the New Year's celebration. Luncheon will be served.

Signed,
WILLIAM A. WALSH, Pres

No Sun Tomorrow

Tomorrow being New Year's Day, a holiday, The Sun will suspend publication of all editions.

CHRISTMAS CLUB

If you deposit the required amount each week for 50 weeks in our Christmas Club, you will on Dec. 15, 1924, receive one of the following AMOUNTS

25c week	equals	$ 12.63
50c week	equals	$ 25.25
$1.00 week	equals	$ 50.50
$2.00 week	equals	$101.00
$5.00 week	equals	$252.50

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NOTICE

Tomorrow, New Year's Day. Sunday time will be operated on all lines.

EASTERN MASS. ST. RY.

Elks Ladies' Night TONIGHT

ELKS HALL—FOR ELKS ONLY

Concert 10 to 12

Dancing Favors

Refreshments

$1.50 PER PERSON

NOTICE

To All Members of Federated Shop Crafts of B. & M.—Special

NOTICE. Dec. 30, '23.

To all members of Federated Shop Crafts of B. & M. Meetings for Crafts called for Thursday Night, Jan. 3, 7.30, in Odd Fellows Bldg.

P. S. Boilermakers No. 271, Meet Eagles Hall, Central St.

G. E. KENNEY, Mach.
A. LAMARRE, Blacksmith,
E. FONTAINE, Boiler Maker.
H. MORSE, Carman.
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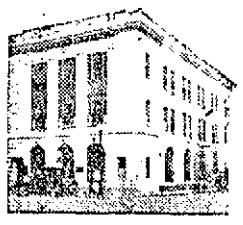
January 5th



MERRIMACK RIVER SAVINGS BANK

228 Central Street

Labor Unions' Notice

The Trades and Labor Council as well as all Labor Organizations, meeting herewith, will continue to meet at 23 CENTRAL ST.

(Signed)

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ATTENTION

All members are requested to meet at clubrooms TOMORROW, Tuesday, Jan. 1, at 12.30 to participate in exercises of laying cornerstone of new home.

Please try to be as prompt as possible.

Walter E. Turnbull, E.R.
John J. Lee, Secretary.

IT'S TWO TO ONE IN FAVOR OF BOBBED HAIR, BUT PARIS CAMOUFLAGES TO APPEASE CONVENTIONAL RELATIVES

THE FLUFFY BOB (LEFT), THE SEMI-BOB (BELOW) AND THE UNBOBBED TOP-KNOT

BY MARIAN HALE
N.E.A. Service Writer

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—You behold here the three profiles that are finding most favor in Paris at the present time.

And the proportion of bobbed hair to the unbobbed runs about two to one in favor of the bob, we are further informed. All coiffures are being slightly softened and are becoming more flattering. Hairdressers have learned that all profiles are not so perfect as they may be made to appear, properly cooperating with the locks.

The most popular of all hairdressings, at the present time, is the "garconne," or French clip, which is cut very short in the back and which allows the outline of the head to appear pretty much as nature made it.

Whilst this bob was originally supposed to go uncurled, it is becoming quite the thing now to marcel the hair close to the head, but to leave the ends straight so that they do not in any way destroy the outline of the head. In the front the hair may be slightly more full, if one desires.

The fluffy bob is by no means as smart as the close one, but since it is much more becoming to many types of faces it has its following and holds it.

But even this cut is induced to take more interest in sticking closer to the head than ever before and is kept as neat and glossy as possible.

Often the ends are curled very tight and close to the head so that the appearance is that of a very close headdress, and a very elaborate one.

Some women, who can't quite get the courage, or the parental consent, to shear the locks entirely, have compromised with a sort of half-and-half treatment. The front is cut and arranged like a regular bob. The portion of the hair behind the ears and on top of the head is left long and is wound into the tightest of knots at the nape of the neck. Or sometimes it is rolled under so that one takes a second glance before realizing that the entire head of hair is not bobbed. In this way a woman may have the effect of a bob and still say to her husband or sweetheart, "of course, dear, I'll never cut my hair without your consent."

Those, however, who have withstood the bob are beginning to feature the topknot. The most popular style is the soft arrangement about the face, parted in the middle or on one side, or just pulled back loosely from the forehead without a part, piled in a soft knot at the back of the head. To call attention to the crowning glory with a jeweled or shell comb is the common practice.

But the peeled effect and the severe hairdress are frowned upon by Paris, and femininity is now the order of the day.

YOU IN 1924

Now it comes to pass that 1924 is a leap year. What are you going to do with the extra day? A facetious question, perhaps, but well worth asking—for the extra day emphasizes the importance of time in our lives, which are all too short. It's wise to round up good intentions and ambitions and start afresh with New Year resolutions. Wiser, still, to realize that EVERY DAY has to be New Year Day unless we want to fall behind the procession. The fine resolutions should be renewed, the high ambitions enlarged, every morning without exception.

January 1 is the time to start. All start. Few finish.

N. Y. TO WELCOME 1924

50,000 Revelers Pay $300,000 for Privilege of Extending Greetings

NEW YORK, Dec. 31. The welcome of 1924 which will be tendered at the threshold of Broadway at midnight tonight will have cost 50,000 revelers something like $300,000 for the mere privilege of extending their greetings.

Special squads of prohibition agents, one of them understood to be from Washington, were listed, incognito among the 50,000 holding reservations in cabarets, hotels and clubs.

The number of reservations, most of them made at $5 each but many at from $7 to $20, and a few at even more, was one of the longest in Broadway's memory, and the amount of gold which will flow along the Great White Way is expected to surpass the stream of some pre-prohibition New Year's celebrations.

Bootleggers said their deliveries justified predictions that it would be a wet greeting, but hotel and grill managers asserted they would not allow law violations. The federal agents said it would be a dry welcome.

RAPS MELLON TAX BILL

Cong. Garner Charges Movement to Force Congressmen to Support Measure

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Publication of the treasury tax bill, says a statement by Representative Garner of Texas, issued by the democratic national committee, has fully justified the attitude of democratic and western republican congressional leaders in refusing to accept the measure in advance and without the opportunity to scrutinize its provisions.

A "huge organized conspiracy on the part of the predatory interests" Mr. Garner charges, "has been conducting a 'nation-wide congress' to the bill before all of its details could be made known and has "in a large measure, apparently succeeded in the attempt to mislead the public by keeping secret some of the most objectionable provisions."

Mr. Garner, who is the ranking democrat on the house ways and means committee, declares that "plain and convincing evidence of this conspiracy is found in the wording of telegrams and letters being received by senators and representatives in congress, which are in identical language." The signers of these messages, he says, "could not have known all of the provisions of the Mellon tax bill, because most of the messages were received before the bill was made public."

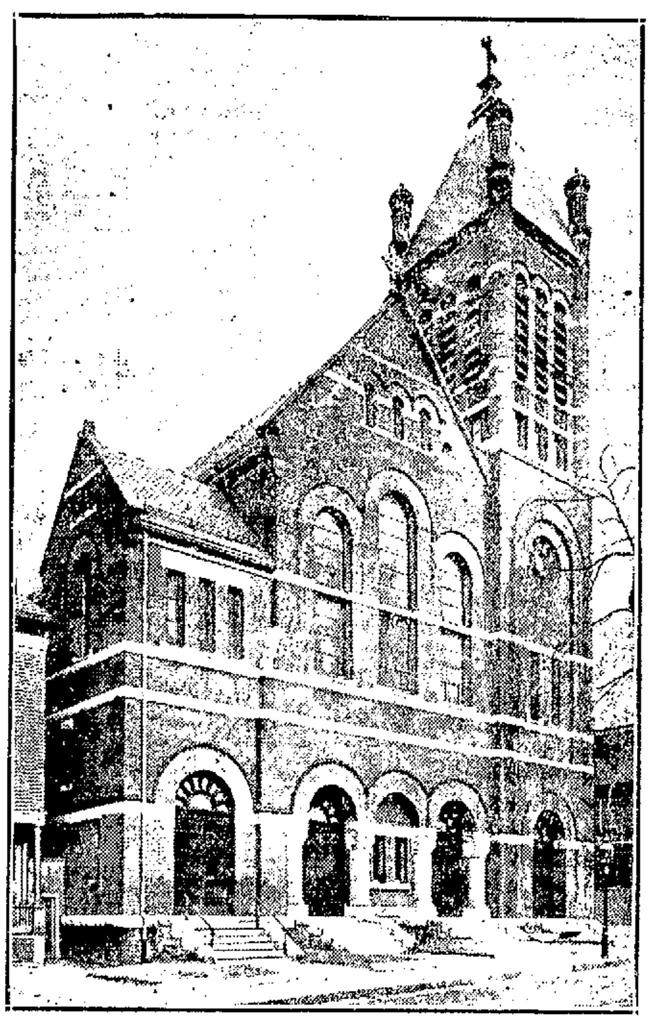
He adds that "only, through the insistence of democratic leaders, has the bill been made public in all its provisions" and asserts that it "fails to give millions of farmers, tradesmen and small businessmen the relief they were told they would get."

JOHNSON'S ANNOUNCEMENT

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Dec. 31.—Senator Hiram W. Johnson of California, through his representative last night, placed in the mail a formal announcement of his participation in the Alabama preferential presidential primary.

British labor leaders criticize appointment of Sir Esme Howard as ambassador to the United States, and declare it was made to prevent possible selection of a laborite as a successor to Sir Auckland Geddes.

Celebration at St. Michael's Church



ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

The 40th anniversary of the celebration of the first mass in Centralville and the founding of St. Michael's parish will be observed next Sunday, January 6. On this date in 1884, the parish was organized with the late Rt. Rev. William O'Brien as pastor. The first mass was celebrated in the fire engine house on Fourth street. Services were held here until the basement of St. Michael's church in Sixth street was opened on June 22, 1884. The upper auditorium of the church was completed and dedicated on June 24, 1900.

The present pastor of the church is Rev. John J. Shaw, who observed the 41st anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood a week ago yesterday. His assistants at the present time are Rev. James F. Lynch, Rev. Thomas J. Heagney and Rev. Aloysius G. Madden.

In its 40 years of existence, St. Michael's parish has grown to be one of the largest in the city.

BALDWIN RETURNS TO LONDON TODAY

LONDON, Dec. 31. Prime Minister Baldwin is expected to return to London from his Christmas holiday in the country today and an early meeting of the cabinet to complete the king's speech for the opening of parliament a week from tomorrow is foreshadowed.

Newspapers whose avowed object is to prevent, if possible, the installation of a socialist government, renew today stories to the effect that a considerable section of the liberals is dissatisfied with the attitude of Herbert Asquith and other leaders, and is working for an arrangement amounting to a fusion of the liberals and conservatives to support the Baldwin ministry on some agreed non-party program to keep the socialists out. There is much talk of meetings held and to be held with this object in view, by both the liberal and conservatives but the names of those supposed to be concerned are not given.

The Times professes to be able to correct these reports, the gist of the newspaper's editorial being that Ramsay MacDonald will take over the premiership before the end of January with the full consent of the conservatives and with the assistance of the liberals; that there could be no greater danger than a popular impression that the two traditional parties were prepared to unite "solely to balk labor of an opportunity won by constitutional means;" that the intention of the party leaders have been deliberately settled and that the gloomy predictions of the results of the advent of the socialists to power emanate largely from "the ranks of the panic-stricken plutocrats who have failed to have their way with Mr. Baldwin and whose wild alarm is not shared by the responsible leaders of any of the three parties."

SUMMARY OF EARLY MORNING A. P. NEWS

Constantinople despatch confirms sinking of the United States shipping board steamer Conejos in the Black sea with loss of perhaps 36 lives.

President Coolidge asks American Federation of Labor and Chamber of Commerce to help find jobs for rehabilitated former service men.

Vatican denies knowledge of reported conversations between the archbishop of Canterbury and Cardinal Mercier for reunion of Anglican and Roman Catholic churches.

American people produced more, spent more and saved more in 1923 than in 1922, federal reserve board says in its annual economic survey.

Death in Louisville of Federal Judge Walter Evans, famed for his whiskey decision by which he ruled that the Kentucky prohibition law was unconstitutional.

John Fowler, for 36 years in the naval and consular services of the United States, and a hero of the Boxer uprising in China, dies at Winchester [illegible].

CATHOLIC CHURCH NEWS

Union Services in Honor of Holy Name to Be Held Next Sunday

Solemn union services in honor of the Holy Name will be held in St. Michael's and Sacred Heart churches next Sunday. The Holy Name societies of St. Peter's, Immaculate Conception, Sacred Heart, St. Anthony's, St. Margaret's, Holy Trinity, St. Joseph's, St. John's, North Chelmsford and St. Andrew's, North Billerica, will meet in the Sacred Heart church at 3 o'clock. The sermon on the Holy Name will be delivered by Rev. George F. Fox, O.M.I.

The second union service will be held in St. Michael's church at 3.30 p.m. with the Holy Name societies of St. Michael's, St. Patrick's, St. Columba's and St. Mary's, Collinsville, in attendance. The preacher in this church will be Rev. John J. Powers, pastor of St. Columba's.

Tomorrow, New Year's day, will be observed in all Catholic churches as the feast of the Circumcision. It is a holy day of obligation and masses will be celebrated at various hours in the morning, with special services in the evening.

It was announced at all the masses in St. Patrick's church yesterday, that the closing exercises for the class in interior decorating will be held in the school hall next Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. Immediately after the exercises, enrollment will be open for classes in parliamentary law and business English.

The masses tomorrow will be according to the regular Sunday schedule, while the masses on First Friday will be at 5.30, 6.30, 7.15 and 8 o'clock.

The 11 o'clock mass in the Immaculate Conception church yesterday was celebrated by Rev. Arthur Connors, O.M.I., a former Lowell boy, now of Buffalo, N. Y. Rev. James B. McCartin, O.M.I., was the preacher.

Tomorrow's masses will be celebrated according to Sunday schedule. On Friday, the masses will be at 5.15, 6.30 and 8 o'clock. A Te Deum and Miserere will be sung at 7.30 o'clock this evening.

Rev. John J. Powers, pastor of St. Columba's church, delivered a touching eulogy on the late pastor, Rev. Patrick J. Haily, at all the masses yesterday. A solemn high mass of requiem will be celebrated for the repose of Fr. Haily's soul at 7.30 o'clock Wednesday morning.

The Holy Name society will attend communion in a body next Sunday morning and will assemble in the Pawtucket school hall for a [illegible] breakfast after services.

Masses tomorrow will be at 6.30, 7.30 and 9 o'clock, and on First Friday at 5.30, 7.30 and 9 o'clock.

The Guild of the Little Flower of Jesus of the Sacred Heart church will meet in the school hall next Wednesday afternoon at 3.30 o'clock. In the evening of the same day, there will be a meeting of the O.M.I. Cadet regiment.

Masses tomorrow will be at 6, 7.30, 8.30, 9.30 and 11 o'clock. The masses on First Friday will be at 5.15, 6, 7 and 8 o'clock. Confessions will be heard this evening.

In St. Peter's church tomorrow, masses will be celebrated at 6, 7.30, 8.30, 9, 10 and 11 o'clock. Vespers will be held tomorrow evening at 7.30 o'clock. First Friday masses will be at 5, 6 and 7 o'clock. Confessions will be heard this evening and Thursday.

The masses in St. Michael's church tomorrow will be at 5.45, 6.30, 8, 9 and 10 o'clock. First Friday the masses will be at 6.15 and 7 o'clock. Holy Hour will be held Friday evening at 7.30 o'clock. Rev. James F. Lynch was the preacher at the high mass yesterday, delivering a forceful talk on the Catholic press.

The hours of masses in St. Margaret's church tomorrow will be 6, 7, 8 and 9 o'clock. There will be two masses on First Friday at 5.30 and 7.30 o'clock.

Daniel Riley, Michael Molloy, John Hessian and William McNamara.

The committee in charge of the affair consists of the following: Timothy O'Sullivan, chairman; Michael McCarthy, secretary; Michael Kelley, James Nesson, John Cummings, Florence Murphy, George Boland, Dominick Molloy, James Stapleton, Thomas Qualey, William Furey, Daniel Coakley and Eugene A. Fitzgerald.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts—
Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.
To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of Palmira F. Jean otherwise known as Palmina F. Jean, late of Los Angeles, in the State of California, deceased, intestate, leaving estate in said County of Middlesex:
Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to Wilfrid Jean, of Lowell, in said County.
You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Lowell, in said County of Middlesex, on the fifteenth day of January, A. D. 1924, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.
And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court and by mailing postpaid a copy of this citation to the next of kin of said deceased addressed to the last known postoffice address of each, seven days at least before said Court.
Witness, George F. Lawton, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-eighth day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three.
F. M. ESTY, Register.
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RIVER SEINE CONTINUES TO RISE

PARIS, Dec. 31.—The Seine was rising faster than ever this morning and expert observers said it would probably continue to do so all this week. Parisians are beginning to ask whether they are to live over again the ordeal of the inundation of 1910, when the river passed the 27-foot mark. Crowds watch the swollen yellow stream as it rolls through the city whirling timbers, barrels and miscellaneous wreckage to the sea. The prefect of police visited the flood-threatened suburbs last night and made arrangements with the civil and military authorities for the evacuation and shelter of the inhabitants who, it seems more than likely, will have to leave their homes at no distant date.

ANOTHER GOLD RUSH IN KLONDIKE

DAWSON, Y. T., Dec. 31.—The Klondike is in the throes of another gold and silver rush. At the head of the Beaver river, 50 miles west of Keno Hill, a reported discovery of silver and gold has started a stampede from Keno and from Mayo, the major mining settlement of the Yukon. In the new gold region, it was said official assays revealed pay-dirt running 1100 ounces of silver to the ton. There is gold in the district, too, according to radio messages from Mayo.

PART OF PETROGRAD SUBMERGED

MOSCOW, Dec. 31.—Reports from Petrograd say that part of the city is submerged under the waters of the Neva, which has flooded its banks despite the severe winter weather. Many factories have been inundated. The Neva is full of icebergs floating in from Lake Ladoga. Special sapper detachments are working day and night, dynamiting them.

U. S. MISSIONARIES ARE SEIZED AND WOUNDED

PEKING, Dec. 31 (By the Associated Press). Followers of the notorious bandit leader Lao Yao Jen, captured an American missionary, Mrs. Julina [illegible] and wounded two other persons [illegible] Bernhard Hoff and Mrs. Hoff [illegible] the town of Tsaoyang [illegible] Hupeh province, near the border town of [illegible] according to advices [illegible] day.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 31. The three American missionaries reported captured and wounded by Chinese bandits near [illegible] are former residents of the [illegible] and representatives of the Church of Lutheran Brethren.

They are [illegible] Bernhard Hoff, 32, and Mrs. Hoff [illegible] formerly of Grand Forks and [illegible] N. D. and Mrs. Julia [illegible] of Northfield, Minn.

Mrs. Kelen [illegible] veteran missionary worker in [illegible] having spent the greater part of [illegible] years there. Mrs. Hoff [illegible] missionary work in China [illegible] much of the time [illegible] Kelen.

Prof. Hoff [illegible] to China two years ago, and [illegible] there last August.

TAFFETA SHAWLS

Taffeta [illegible] are very quaint and lovely, particularly when they have roses or [illegible] scattered over the surface.

POLICE CHIEF DEAD

NEWPORT, [illegible] Dec. 31. Chief of Police John [illegible] died early this morning.

Advertisers who use The Sun consistently get greater returns on the money invested than through any other Lowell newspaper. There's a reason. The Sun goes into more homes in Lowell and suburbs than any other Lowell paper and [illegible] per cent of Sun readers read no other Lowell newspaper.

TO HOLD ANNUAL NEW YEAR'S OBSERVANCE

The annual New Year's observance by the [illegible] Social and Athletic association [illegible] held tonight at its rooms in [illegible] will consist of a banquet [illegible] at the [illegible] members and more [illegible] prominent local men.

The banquet will be served at midnight, Councillor [illegible] Lutgers will be toastmaster and after the customary [illegible] of the [illegible] of the organization, addresses will be given by Mayor John J. Donovan, President William A. W[illegible] and others. Among the entertainers [illegible] to appear are Fred [illegible] Thomas Quirley, [illegible]

GET THE SUN CLASSIFIED AD HABIT

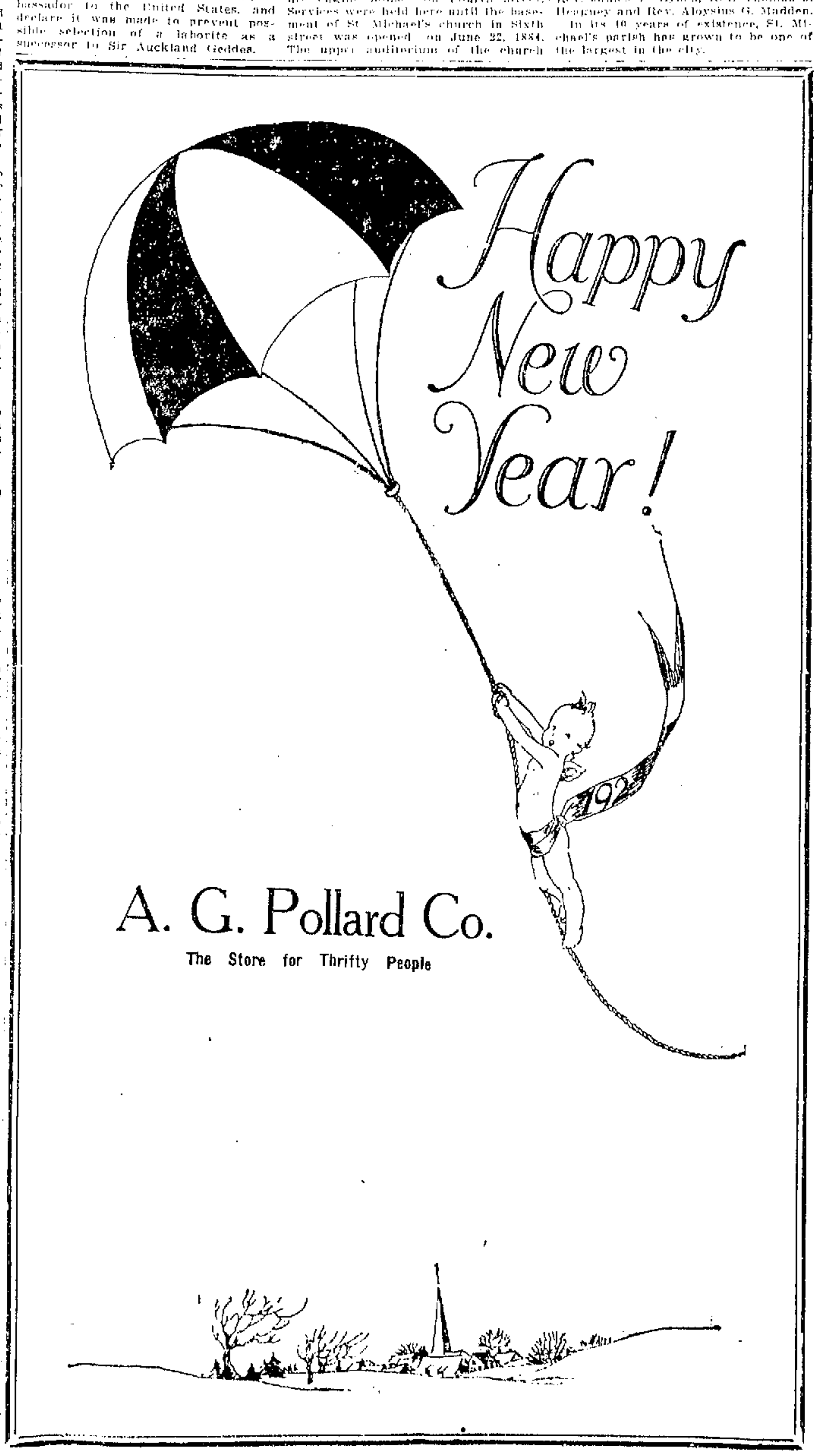
TO MAIL MILLION INCOME TAX BLANKS

Approximately one million income tax [illegible] will be mailed on Wednesday [illegible] in the state to the federal taxpayers. This is almost twice the number that has been sent out in other years, due to the fact that [illegible] of the smaller form [illegible] it necessary to send out two [illegible] each of the taxpayers, namely 1040 [illegible] 1040A, only one of which must be returned.

[illegible] income exceeded $5000, the [illegible] must be used, and also [illegible] income, regardless of amount, was derived from farming, real estate, [illegible] trusts, rents, professions or other taxable sources.

[illegible] where the income was [illegible] and was received as a salary [illegible] wages form 1040A must be used.

[illegible] the variation of forms is [illegible] by the use of the larger 1040 form in cases where part of the income of over $5000 is received from other sources than salaries.



RACE RIOT AT FORT SMITH, ARK.

Ten Negroes Who Barricaded Themselves in House Surrender to Troops

White Residents Threatened to Lynch Them Following Attack on Woman

FORT SMITH, Ark., Dec. 31.—Ten negroes who barricaded themselves in a house in the Catcher community, five miles from Vanburen, Ark., late yesterday when white residents threatened a riot as a result of the killing late Friday of Mrs. Robert Latimer, surrendered to National Guardsmen from Ozark, and were lodged in the jail at Vanburen early last night on charges of night riding.

A score or more of negroes were hurried to the Vanburen jail by officers who feared a serious clash between the races. The white population offered little or no resistance to the guardsmen who were ordered to the scene early yesterday afternoon by Governor T. C. McRae.

The 10 negroes who barricaded themselves in a house, surrendered only after Capt. Otto W. Kayer, in command of the detachment of troops, threatened them with machine gun fire. They were assured protection and finally agreed to accompany the troops to Vanburen.

Charles Ruck, negro, father of Spurgeon Ruck, one of the negroes held, is reported to have been shot and wounded by a mob of 150 men, who late yesterday were reported to be marching through the Catcher settlement.

Spurgeon Ruck and another negro, and William Bettie, negro, arrested Friday night and Saturday, and alleged to have been implicated by John Clay, a 15-year old negro, in the shooting of Mrs. Latimer, were spirited from the Crawford county jail at Vanburen Saturday night when a mob gathered. Both men denied any knowledge of the attack on Mrs. Latimer.

Reports received here early last night from the Catcher settlement were to the effect that all negro residents of the community were being driven out by a mob and their homes burned.

Quiet prevailed in the little community last night and Capt. Kayer said his troops would return to their station at Ozark. No further trouble is feared, the officer said.

Lynching in Florida

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 31.—The body of a young negro, riddled with bullets and his head crushed with an axe, was found in a wooded section near Dinsmore, six miles west of Jacksonville, yesterday afternoon.

Authorities were told by residents of that vicinity that four residents, white men had carried him to the spot in an automobile, fired several bullets into his body and then one of them struck him on the head with an axe.

Officers have been unable to learn the reason for the lynching, which follows closely the finding of a headless body of a negro in McGirts creek, 12 miles southwest of Jacksonville, last night. The body was weighed down with two pieces of railroad iron and apparently had been in the water about 10 days.

ANNUAL SUMMARY OF MILL DIVIDENDS

FALL RIVER, Dec. 31.—The annual summary of mill dividends for the year 1923, furnished by G. M. Haffards & Co., shows that $2,520,000 was paid out by local corporations during the year, an average of 5.12 plus per cent on a capitalization of $13,515,050. While this amount is considered satisfactory from an investment standpoint, accumulated earnings furnished the where-withal to pay the dividends in many cases.

WILL CELEBRATE SUCCESSFUL SEASON

Members and friends of the Princeton A. A. football team will assemble at the banquet table in Odd Fellows' hall, Bridge street, at 7.30 o'clock this evening. The occasion is to celebration of a successful season on the gridiron, culminating in a brilliant 0 to 0 tie with the Posies in the final game of the season.

The toastmaster this evening will be George Wedwood, and there will be remarks by Coach Owen Nerney and others. General dancing will follow the banquet.

HORSE BLOCKED TRAFFIC

Owing to the treacherous footing on Central street this morning, a horse drawing one of the carts removing snow slipped and fell across the tracks of the street railway in front of the Strand theatre, effectually blocking all traffic for a short time.

WILL BUILD NEW PIER

At a meeting of the board of trustees of the Memorial Auditorium on Saturday, the architect was given orders to proceed with the construction of a cement pier under the veterans' wing, as an extra element of safety and a preventive of further settling. The work will be done by the engineering firm of C. R. Gow, of Boston, and the cost of the pier will be approximately $1000.

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AMBASSADOR TO U. S.

Sir Esme Howard Succeeds Sir Auckland Geddes as British Envoy

LONDON, Dec. 31.—The resignation of Sir Auckland Geddes and the appointment of Sir Esme Howard, are treated by a majority of the morning newspapers as diplomatic incidents of more than usual interest. The announcements of the changes in the service are printed with the stories of the arrival of Ambassador Kellogg, but with the exception of two or three newspapers there is no comment.

The Liberal Daily News protests angrily against "the indecent hurry with which the moribund government filled the most important position in the diplomatic service."

It contends that "at this juncture of events the ambassador at Washington ought to be a representative Englishman well known on both sides of the Atlantic and with special gifts for strengthening the new understanding which has recently grown up between the two nations."

The Daily News asks whether the premier's frantic haste in appointing Sir Esme was due to fear lest the next ministry should appoint some impossible person.

The Westminster Gazette, whose political views are identical with those of the Daily News, takes the opposite position, saying that as the election of the successor to Ambassador Geddes, "fell to a government awaiting execution, it is right that the ambassador should be appointed from the ranks of the diplomatic corps rather than from the outside."

"That rules the choice of all political candidates," continues the newspaper, "It has other advantages, inasmuch as during the next few years relations with the United States must involve many questions in dealing with which diplomatic experience will be most desirable."

The newspaper argues that in the future the United States far more than in the past, must concern herself with affairs outside her own borders, and that the business aspect of diplomatic relations consequently will have more prominence.

MUSICAL SHOW BY K. OF C. AT AUDITORIUM

"[illegible]" has been selected as the name of the K. of C. musical show, which is to be presented in the Memorial Auditorium on the evening of Jan. 15. The title is in keeping with the show, regarded as one of the most tuneful presentations yet undertaken by the Knights. The cast, which will meet for rehearsal in K. of C. hall tomorrow night, consists of 100 female and 50 male voices and includes Lowell's best known talent. The producer is Prof. Henry H. Orr of Boston, an expert in this line. The proceeds of the affair will be added to the K. of C. build.

ANNOUNCE CLASSES IN PUBLIC SPEAKING

Dennis A. Dooley, agent of the state department of education, announces that a class in public speaking is being arranged by the state department, and will meet at the office of the Lowell Electric Light corporation on Friday evenings after the completion of the course there in salesmanship. The agent further announces that he is in receipt of a request from the director of a young women's club in St. Patrick's parish for a class in public speaking and oral English for women. Enrollment in this class may be made after the graduation exercises of the interior decorating class next Thursday evening.

A course in appreciation of music will be conducted by Stuart Mason in the Lowell high school, beginning on Friday, Jan. 11, at 7.15 o'clock. Prof. Mason is a well known composer and a faculty member of the New England Conservatory of Music.

The course is intended to develop a more intelligent appreciation of music by teaching the essentials of listening. Topics discussed will not be the same as those which were covered in last year's course. No technical knowledge of music is necessary.

Mr. Mason has received from the French government the decoration of "Palmes Academiques" in recognition of his attainments as composer, and as interpreter of old and modern French music. Several of his compositions have been produced by musical organizations. The lectures will be illustrated by piano selection. At the first meeting of the class Mr. Mason will announce the subjects which he intends to cover in the course.

The course may be taken simply as a series of lectures, without outside preparation on the part of the student. Or, if the student wishes, the course may be taken for credit. Certificates will be granted only to students who complete the assigned work.

All persons interested are invited to attend the first lecture without charge, and without incurring any obligation to enroll.

Your courtesy in calling this course to the attention of other persons who may be interested in it will be appreciated.

BASKETBALL GAME

The fast Advanced Employed Boys Five who defeated the Athenian Seconds are going to play the Junior Employed Boys in a preliminary game at the Y. M. C. A. Advanced Employed Boys Five challenge the Junior Boys or the Students at the Y. M. C. A. The lineup: Constantinoureas, rf, (captain), Patrinkos, lf, Pascall c, Burns rg, Georges lg.

DEATH OF FORMER LOWELL PASTOR

Rev. Nicholas Tillinghast Whitaker, D.D., of 209 Summer street, Newton Centre, died Friday, December 28, at his home. He formerly held the pastorate of the Central M.E. church in Lowell, where he served from 1908 to 1913. Surviving him are his wife, Helen Locke Whitaker and one son, S. Edgar Whitaker.

Rev. Mr. Whitaker received five college degrees during his active career, included among which were those of A.B. and A.M. from Wesleyan university, B.D. and Ph.D. from Boston university, and D.D. from New York university. His ordination to the ministry was made in 1867, while he was a professor at the Tilton seminary in New Hampshire. After leaving Lowell he held pastorates in the Stoneville Methodist church and in the Dedham Congregational church, near Dedham.

DEATHS

EVERETT—Mrs. [illegible] (Norcross) Everett, widow of Rufus D. Everett, and daughter of the late Nicholas G. and Sophronia Norcross of Lowell, died in New York city early Saturday morning. She leaves one daughter, Agnes Everett; a sister, Mrs. William R. Hardy, and several nieces and nephews, Nicholas G. Norcross, Mrs. E. N. Burke and Miss Alice Saunders of this city, J. S. Norcross of Cambridge, Fred M. Norcross of Memphis, Tenn., Mrs. Carle Sevlin and James G. Hardy of New York and Mrs. Karl Walter of London, England. Mrs. Everett was born in Benton, Me., July 19, 1841, but came to Lowell when an infant and lived here until her marriage. She had many friends in this city.

CLARK—Mrs. Mary Clark, for many years a well known resident of St. Peter's parish, died yesterday at her home, 27 Madison street, after a long illness. She leaves one daughter, Miss Mary Clark, and two sons, Anthony Clark of the Lowell police department and John Clark in Ireland.

DESROCHERS—Alice Desrochers, daughter of Donat and Florida (Gaustier) Desrochers, died Saturday at the home of her parents, 129 Cumberland road, aged 5 days.

BRASSARD—Eliza (Despres) Brassard, widow of Joseph Brassard, died Saturday at the home of her sister, Mrs. Frank Nadeau, Billerica road, Chelmsford, aged 51 years. Besides her sister, she leaves three brothers, Victor Despres of this city and Peter and Joseph Despres of Montreal, P. Q.

McCARTHY—Michael McCarthy, a well known resident of St. Patrick's parish, died yesterday at his home, 139 Cross street. He leaves his wife, Mrs. Jane (Ellsworth) McCarthy, three sons, Andrew A., Daniel and Michael McCarthy, three brothers, James McCarthy of New York, Patrick and Andrew McCarthy of Ireland and three sisters, Mrs. B. McCurragh of New York, Mrs. Hannah Mason and Mrs. Alice Tully of Ireland, and five grandchildren. He was a prominent member of the Holy Name society and St. Vincent de Paul society of St. Patrick's church.

SULLIVAN—Francis Sullivan, son of Joseph A. and Annie A. (Doyle) Sullivan, died Saturday at St. John's hospital. He leaves besides his parents, two sisters Lillian May and Rita, and a brother, Leo Sullivan. The body was removed to the rooms of Undertakers Charles H. Molloy's Sons and will later be taken to the home, 10 Runels place.

SMITH—Mrs. Mary E. Smith, wife of John J. Smith, died this morning at the Lowell Corporation hospital, after a brief illness. She leaves besides her husband, one son, Joseph Smith. The body was removed to the funeral parlors of Undertakers C. H. Molloy's Sons.

KENNEDY—Rita J. Kennedy, infant daughter of John and Nellie (McAnney) Kennedy, died Saturday evening at the home of her parents, 1214 Gorham street, aged 6 months. She leaves, besides her parents, three sisters, Mary, Alice and Helen Kennedy.

WEST—Died in this city, Mrs. Nettie West, aged 72 years, nine months and 18 days at her home, 21 Leroy st. She is survived by a daughter, Nettie M., of Lowell.

FUNERALS

LACHAPELLE—The funeral of Mrs. Denise Lachapelle took place this morning from the home of Mr. Sylvio Garon, 125 Gershom avenue. Solemn high funeral mass was celebrated at Ste. Jeanne d'Arc at 9 o'clock, by Rev. Aurelien Morel, O.M.I., assisted by Rev. Leon Lamothe, O.M.I., as deacon and Rev. Charles Denizot, O.M.I., D.D., as sub-deacon. The choir, under the direction of Mr. A. Brassard, sang the funeral mass in plain chant. At the elevation, Mr. George Hebert sang "Pie Jesu" by Ignatius Leybach. At the communion "O Meritum Passionis" was sung by Miss Stella Latour. At the close of mass the impressive "Crucifix" was sung by Mrs. Antoinette Boudreau and Miss Stella Latour. There were other solos by Mr. A. Brassard and Mr. Leo Billodeau. The bearers were Messrs. Adelbert Audette, Phillemond Audette, Joseph Drapeau, Noe Hamel, Albert Hamel and Fortunat Heroux. Ste. Anne's sodality was represented by Mrs. Jacques Hamel, Mrs. Rose L'Heureux, Mrs. Mina Hamel and Mrs. Albert Hamel. Burial took place in the family lot in St. Joseph's cemetery, where Rev. Fr. Leon Lamothe, O.M.I., recited the committal prayers. Funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertaker Joseph Tremblay.

DEVINE—The funeral of Mrs. Margaret Devine took place this morning from the home of her sister, Mrs. Daniel Shea, 236 Mammoth road at 8 o'clock and was largely attended by relatives and friends. The funeral cortege proceeded to St. Columba's church where a high mass of requiem was celebrated at 9 o'clock by Rev. Cornelius J. Cotter. The choir under the direction of Miss Catherine Whalen sang the Gregorian mass, Mr. [illegible] Tiebe and Mr. Frederick [illegible] sustaining the solos. Miss [illegible] Whalen presided at the organ. There were many floral tributes and spiritual bouquets. The bearers were [illegible] Cashman, John Cotter, Michael Murphy, John J. Shea, Patrick [illegible] and John J. Shea Jr. Interment was in St. Patrick's cemetery, Rev. Cornelius Cotter reading the committal prayers. Undertaker Peter H. Savage & Son in charge of funeral arrangements.

DOHERTY—All that was mortal of Mrs. Annie Doherty was tenderly consigned to its final resting place in Catholic cemetery this morning. The funeral took place from the home of her niece, Mrs. Daniel P. McKenna, Bridge street at 8.45 o'clock and was very largely attended by relatives and friends. The cortege proceeded to St. Michael's church where at 10 o'clock a solemn high mass of requiem was celebrated by Rev. Thomas J. [illegible] assisted by Rev. James F. [illegible] deacon and Rev. Aloysius J. M. [illegible] sub-deacon. The choir under the direction of Miss Margaret Griffin rendered the Gregorian mass, the solos being sustained by Mrs. Margaret Donnelly Murphy, Miss Griffin, E. Donnelly and Mr. Joseph E. [illegible] Ella Reilly Tove presided at the organ. There were many floral offerings as well as many spiritual bouquets. The casket was borne by the following bearers: Messrs. Michael Carkill, McCafferty, Matthew McAnn, Michael Gronick, William Dunn and John Leonard. The burial was in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery where Rev. Fr. Heagney read the last solemn rites of the church. The arrangements were in [illegible]

charge of Funeral Director James W. McKenna Sons.

PERRON—The funeral of Wilfrid Perron, a well known Franco-American resident, took place this morning at 8 o'clock, from his home, 500 Moody street, and was attended by many relatives and friends from this city and from out-of-town. A solemn high funeral mass was celebrated at 9 o'clock at St. Jean Baptiste church, by Rev. J. A. Fratte, O.M.I., assisted by Rev. Joseph Pelletier, O.M.I., as deacon and by Rev. Emile Boldur, O.M.I., as sub-deacon. The church choir, under the direction of Rodolphe E. Pepin, the organist, rendered the Gregorian chant. The soloists were Arthur J. Lesvesque, G. E. Caisse, Mrs. Edith Pepin and Mr. Pepin. The bearers were Pelip Roy, Eusebe Asselin, Damase Morin, Philip Vincent, Pierre Caron and Achille McKinnon. There were many flowers. Burial was in the family lot in St. Joseph's cemetery, where the committal prayers were read by Rev. Arthur St. Cyr, O.M.I., of Colebrook, N. H. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertakers Amedee Archambault and Sons.

BAILEY—The funeral of Mrs. Jennie W. Bailey, wife of John A. Bailey, took place yesterday afternoon from her home, 17 Columbia street, where services were conducted by Rev. Percy E. Thomas, pastor of the First Congregational church. Appropriate selections were sung by Mr. and Mrs. George E. Burns. There were numerous flowers. The following delegation was present from Evening Star lodge, Daughters of Rebekah: Lillian E. Allister N. G., Bertha Houkaboom, V. G., George M. Queen, chaplain, and Lena E. Sawyer, treasurer, who also exemplified the Rebekah burial service at the home. The bearers were Joseph Bowers, Thomas W. Wickers, William M. Bailey, Lester Mills, Frank Sands and Jason Fuller. Burial was in the family lot in the Edson cemetery, where the committal prayers were read by Rev. Mr. Thomas. Arrangements were in charge of Funeral Director John A. Weinbeck.

BRASSARD—The funeral of Mrs. Eliza (Despres) Brassard, widow of Joseph Brassard, took place this morning at 8 o'clock from the home of her sister, Mrs. Frank Nadeau, Billerica Road, Chelmsford Centre. A funeral mass was celebrated at 9 o'clock at St. John's church, North Chelmsford, by Rev. J. E. Dupont. The church choir, under the direction of Miss Helen Quigley, the organist, rendered the Gregorian chant. The bearers were William Thibodeau, Arthur Loiselle, Joseph Coran and Zephirin Heroux. Burial was in St. Joseph's cemetery, under the direction of Undertakers Amedee Archambault and Sons.

CARTER—Funeral services for John L. Carter were held Sunday at his home in Main street, Tewksbury. Rev. Herbert A. Mayor officiated. The bearers were John P. Carter, Fred M. Carter, William R. Carter and Louis Burnham. Burial was in the Tewksbury Centre cemetery in charge of Undertaker H. Louis Farmer.

TURENNE—The funeral of George E. A. Turenne, son of Rosaire and Marie Louise (Comtois) Turenne, took place Saturday from the home of his parents, 167 Hall street. Burial was in St. Joseph's cemetery, under the direction of Funeral Director Joseph Albert.

BENT—Funeral services for Raymond Bent, son of Mr. and Mrs. Aaron L. Bent, were held at the rooms of Undertaker W. Herbert Blake, 18 Market street, Sunday, Rev. George E. Sturtevant, assistant pastor of the First Congregational church, officiating. There were many flowers. Burial was in Green cemetery, Carlisle.

STARK—Funeral services for Guilford L. Stark were held at the rooms of Undertaker Hiram C. Brown Saturday afternoon, Rev. John T. Ullom, pastor of the First Primitive Methodist church, officiating. Burial was in Westlawn cemetery, where Rev. Mr. Ullom read the burial prayers.

DESROCHERS—The funeral of Alice Desrochers took place yesterday afternoon from the home of her parents, Donat and Florida (Gaustier) Desrochers, 129 Cumberland road. Burial was in the family lot in St. Joseph's cemetery. The arrangements were in charge of Undertakers Amedee Archambault & Sons.

TETREAULT—The funeral of Joseph J. E. Tetreault took place Saturday from the home of his sister, Mrs. Joseph E. Jemery, 49 Beaver street. A funeral mass was celebrated at Ste. Jeanne d'Arc church by Rev. Leon L. Lamothe, O.M.I. The choir, under the direction of Arthur H. Giroux, sang the Gregorian chant. The bearers were Louis Tetreault, Alphonse Tetreault, Joseph E. Jemery, H. Thibeault, Amedee Lambert and Joseph Lozeau. Burial was in the family lot in St. Joseph's cemetery, where the committal prayers were read by Rev. Charles Denizot, O.M.I., D.D. The arrangements were in charge of Undertakers Amedee Archambault and Sons.

RUSSELL—Funeral services for Mrs. Clara L. Russell were held at her home, 8 Atlantic street, Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. Richard Peters, pastor of the Highland Congregational church, officiating. The flowers were numerous. The bearers were George Russell, Leonard Wheeler, A. Polley and R. Polley. Burial was in the family lot in the Edson cemetery, where Rev. Mr. Peters read the burial prayers. The arrangements were in charge of Undertaker Hiram C. Brown.

KENNEDY—The funeral of Rita J. Kennedy, infant daughter of John and Nellie (McAnney) Kennedy, took place this afternoon from the home of her parents, 1214 Gorham street, at 2 o'clock. There were many floral tributes. Burial was in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery. Funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertakers O'Donnell & Kay.

FUNERAL NOTICES

McCARTHY—Died in this city, Dec. 30, at his late home, 139 Cross street, Michael McCarthy. Funeral will take place Wednesday morning from his late home at 8 o'clock. At St. Patrick's church at 9 o'clock a solemn high funeral mass will be celebrated. Burial will be in St. Patrick's cemetery. Funeral arrangements in charge of Undertakers O'Connell [illegible]

CLARK—Died in this city, Dec. 30, at her late home, 27 Madison street, Mrs. Mary Clark. Funeral will take place Tuesday afternoon from [illegible] [illegible] o'clock. At [illegible] church at 2 o'clock, [illegible] will be held. Burial will be in [illegible] cemetery. Wednesday morning at 8 o'clock a high mass of requiem will be celebrated [illegible] Funeral arrangements in charge of Undertakers O'Donnell & Kay.

SMITH—The funeral of Mary E. Smith will take place Tuesday afternoon [illegible] o'clock, from the funeral chapel of C. H. Molloy's Sons. Burial will be in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery. Funeral arrangement in charge of C. H. Molloy's Sons.

WEST—The funeral of Mrs. Nettie West will take place Thursday afternoon. Services will be held at her home, 21 Leroy street, at 2 o'clock. [illegible] Invited. Burial in Auburn, Maine, on Friday. Undertaker Hiram C. Brown in charge.

ANNIVERSARY MASS

STAFFORD—There will be an anniversary high mass for the repose of the soul of Edward Stafford at St. [illegible] church, Wednesday morning, January 2, at 8 o'clock.

MR. AND MRS. CHAS. STAFFORD, THEODORE STAFFORD.

NEW YEAR GREETINGS BY TEXTILE WORKERS

Cheery New Year greetings "to all the people of Lowell" were this morning issued from textile union labor headquarters, 233 Central street, by John Hanley, active worker in the local trades and labor council and member of the executive board of the New England United Textile Workers of America. The formal announcement containing organized textile labor's heartiest greetings to all citizens, including the representatives of Lowell industrial establishments and business men in general, was as follows.

"To All the People of Lowell:

"In behalf of Lowell's great army of textile workers employed in many of the business activities of our city and who are loyal at all times to civic movements that tend to advance the welfare and prosperity of our homes, business and all good works necessary to keep our city in the forefront of sturdy New England industrial progress, I wish to extend to the people of Lowell without distinction the hearty good wishes of all union textile workers for a prosperous and happy New Year.

"Although the year now closing has not been as prosperous as many working men and women in our city could have wished for, Lowell textile workers, I can state with entire confidence, are far from pessimistic over the prospects for 1924.

"Confident that Lowell industries will witness a great revival of activities in all important branches during the coming year, and solidly convinced that no backward steps will be taken when our industries are called upon to produce the necessaries of life, the textile workers whose prosperity and happiness depends upon the promotion of Lowell's industries, have not lost faith in their home city.

"Organized textile workers welcome the New Year confidently. The local labor situation is already perceptibly brightening. No one discounts present slack employment conditions in some mill quarters, but men and women engaged in the local textiles feel that prosperity is now on the way and that it will not overlook old Lowell when it comes to New England in 1924.

"For benefits derived during the year now closing, for cordial support received at all times from many thousands of Lowell citizens who believe in the sound principles of organized labor as affecting the local textile trades in all its branches, for the generous aid we have received from brother union labor organizations in Lowell and the country over for the staunch loyalty of brothers in organization ranks who have lawfully fought for justice and proper working conditions, sometimes under discouraging conditions, we extend our cordial thanks in full measure.

"This message is intended for all the people of Lowell and will, we trust, be interpreted as another indication of the sincerity of organized labor in its loyalty to and faith in Lowell and its future industrial life."

Sensational Jail Delivery

Continued

for participation in the $1,000,000 New York mail robbery, for which Chapman was convicted.

Three of the men were thought early today to be in hiding near Macon, Ga. Three suspects were seen to alight from the Royal Palm, a tourist train, as it neared that city, early this morning, after a signal tower man here saw them swing on board the tender of the train near the penitentiary early last night.

With Anderson were Hiram Lepper, 50, sentenced in Baltimore in 1921 for 15 years, Ludwig Schmidt, a German sailor, sentenced in Rochester, N. Y., for 10 years for mail robbery, and Frank Paynes, sentenced in Chattanooga, Tenn., for eighteen months.

The tunnel, barely large enough to admit passage of a human body, was found to lead from the centre of a small tent in the prison tubercular camp to a point 50 or more feet away and outside the big stone wall.

The wardens and guards were at a loss to know how the prisoners conveyed the enormous quantity of loose dirt from the tunnel to a freshly graded spot, 75 feet away from the tent, but thought that the passage had been in process of excavation for perhaps two months and the dirt had been smuggled to the site in buckets.

A small shovel and a lighted miner's lamp were found by officials in the tunnel near the exits.

Entrance to the tunnel was through a trap door, which had been constructed in the wooden floor of the tent. Under the trap door was a drop of eight feet through a hole three feet square in the sides of which had been dug out small steps.

Then the passage ran horizontally to the wall, where it curved down under the foundation until the eight foot thickness of the wall was passed and then went straight up along the wall to daylight.

The quartet are thought to have escaped between 5 and 7 o'clock. Their absence was not discovered until after the 5 o'clock check up.

Elmira Convicts Recaptured

ELMIRA, N. Y., Dec. 31.—Four convicts who escaped from the Elmira reformatory last night, were captured early today by reformatory guards as they were walking along the railroad tracks toward [illegible] about [illegible] miles from [illegible]. The fugitives offered no resistance.

The four men were "trusties" and last evening were called upon by Superintendent Frank L. Christian to aid in serving dinner to a party of his guests.

Leaving the superintendent's quarters in the front of the building, they stepped into a closed automobile [illegible] by one of the guests and sped toward [illegible]

At a [illegible] railroad [illegible] [illegible] crashed into [illegible] and they took to the railroad [illegible]

SHAKEUP IN N. Y. ATHLETIC COMMISSION

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—The [illegible] the new year's shakeup of [illegible] [illegible] occurred [illegible] [illegible] Vanderbosch [illegible] [illegible] as deputy commissioner [illegible] of the boxing [illegible] [illegible] reports [illegible] [illegible] Muldoon, chairman of [illegible] [illegible] slated for retirement [illegible] [illegible] is Muldoon [illegible]

NO MAIL DELIVERIES

In accordance with a decision [illegible] [illegible] Postmaster [illegible] [illegible] that there will be no [illegible] of any nature whatever [illegible] New Year's day, Jan. 1. This [illegible] in conformity with the [illegible] [illegible] the first day of the [illegible] [illegible] as a holiday in all [illegible] [illegible] the government service [illegible] be continued.

RESIGNS AS LOCAL FISH AND GAME WARDEN

Harry L. Gonzales, sportsman and well known Lowell business man on Appleton street, this morning tendered to Mayor John J. Donovan his resignation as local fish and game warden, with the request that such resignation take effect as soon as possible.

The Gonzales announcement was contained in a formal letter transmitted this morning by special delivery and received at the mayor's office about 11 o'clock. The resignation was entirely unexpected and, according to a semi official statement from the mayor's offices, is regretted. Mr. Gonzales will continue in his present position until his successor is appointed, he says.

HARRY L. GONZALES

Mr. Gonzales, who has served for 12 years as local fish and game warden, with credit at all times, sent the following letter to Mayor Donovan.

"Lowell, Mass., Dec. 31, 1923.

"To Hon. John J. Donovan and the City Council of the City of Lowell.

"Gentlemen:

"I respectfully offer my resignation as fish and game warden of the city of Lowell, to take effect on the appointment of my successor. For 12 years I have endeavored to conscientiously carry out the provisions of the law coming within my office in the interests of the public and of sportsmen. My business requires that I be relieved of the duties connected with the position.

"I wish to express my thanks and appreciation to the different mayors and city councils for the favors and courtesies shown to me during my term of office and shall be pleased to continue to give the public in a private capacity any information within my knowledge touching fish and game regulations.

"Respectfully,

(Signed) "HARRY L. GONZALES."

The Appleton street sportsman stated, after forwarding his letter of resignation, that his relations with Lowell city fathers had been satisfactory at all times. He was appointed fish and game warden by Mayor James E. O'Donnell in 1911. He is a charter member of the Lowell Fish and Game association and was for seven years first vice president of that organization. He has been instrumental in the teaching of foreign-born citizens their duties when engaged in hunting and fishing.

Through leading members of eleven racial nationalities residing in Lowell, Mr. Gonzales has distributed instructions and information to the thoughtless who sometimes ravage woods and fields unlawfully and slay birds of the air and also field game, his campaign acting as a deterrent to much illegal slaughter of wild game and aiding in the protection of songbirds.

Instructions have also been given regarding the danger of forest fires in which careless hunters sometimes figure.

Mr. Gonzales will continue his present activities as warden, he says, until such time as his successor is appointed.

FRENCH GOVERNMENT IN STRONGER POSITION

PARIS, Dec. 31.—The French government will begin the new year in what is regarded in the foreign office as a stronger position than a year ago. France has asserted by acts her purpose to collect reparations with the cooperation of her allies, if possible, but alone if necessary.

The occupation of the Ruhr against the will of the British government was followed by anxious months, but nothing was done on the part of the British government or any other government, except Berlin to embarrass the French occupation. The Berlin policy of passive resistance failed, and the year ends with the French government having made contracts with the German industrial interests for working the Ruhr profitably.

The prestige of France, it is considered, has been immensely increased on the continent by her having been able regardless of the powerful influence of London, to pursue her conception of national interests. The countries of the little entente have been drawn closer to France during the year. The arming of Poland, of Czecho-Slovakia and Jugo-Slavia has gone forward assisted by French loans, so that these allies of France are in a more effective position than they were 12 months ago to co-operate with her either against Germany or Russia.

The relations with Belgium have been subject to some strain because the Belgian policy toward Germany is not identical with that of France, Belgian interests are regarded as being partly those of England, in the need for restored markets, and partly those of France, in her attitude toward the collection of damages from Germany.

France has been confirmed with her Syrian possessions by the treaty of Lausanne and the strengthening of her friendly intercourse with the Turkish government.

The French foreign office at the beginning of 1924 finds itself in presence of two grave questions—first, whether British policy is to remain moderately passive toward French aims in Germany, or become actively hostile, and, second, the economic and political decomposition in Germany.

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CONCORD RIVER PROJECT

Rep. Brennan Prepares Resolution Demanding Investigation of Present Condition

Representative Owen E. Brennan, active leader in the latest campaign to safeguard the health of a large number of inhabitants of Lowell by eliminating sewage and other obnoxious waste materials from the Concord river, has prepared a resolution for presentation to the state legislature, demanding an investigation of present conditions along the river territory in this city.

The resolution, drawn up by Representative Brennan and given out today, is as follows:

"Resolved: Providing for an investigation by the state department of health of the Concord river, from a point known as Fordway bridge in the town of Billerica, to the point where it empties into the Merrimack river in the city of Lowell.

"Be it enacted by the senate and house of representatives in the general court assembled and by the authority of the same as follows:

"Section 1—Resolved, that the state department of health is hereby authorized and directed to make an investigation of the Concord river from a point known as Fordway bridge, in the town of Billerica to the point where it empties into the Merrimack river, in the city of Lowell, with a view to improve the water of the said river in order to safeguard the health of the people along the course in the town of Billerica and the city of Lowell adjacent to the river, and to report to the next general court not later than the 10th of January."

Representative Brennan stated today that he intends to present the views of many well known Lowell citizens when the time comes to investigate present conditions in the Concord river. He has been assured that he will be widely supported in his present action.

Instead of presenting a legislative bill for enactment, it was believed to be the best policy at the outset of the present campaign to demand an investigation of the alleged Concord river nuisance by state department of health experts, first; these experts acting after legislative orders enactment, of course.

Announcement in The Sun several days ago that Representative Brennan was again about to take up the Concord river problem at the behest of many constituents in his district and bring it forcibly to the attention of the proper health officials in a systematic way, has created much interest about Lowell and vicinity.

East Chelmsford citizens, when informed that Mr. Brennan was planning to push the campaign for a new probe of the Concord river conditions, long obnoxious to many citizens of Lowell and outskirts, today sent an invitation to the representative, inviting him to visit that community January 8, and address the members of the East Chelmsford Improvement association. He will do so.

LOWELL MASONIC CHOIR PREPARES FOR CONCERT

In preparation of its third annual public concert to be given in February, the Lowell Masonic choir is rehearsing regularly a most interesting program.

Lowell folks have come to expect unusually fine accomplishments by this musical group, which in no slight degree makes yearly preparation more difficult and the composition of programs more of a task.

This season, Albert Edmund Brown has upwards of 60 voices in the choir and under his coaching and direction they have attained unusual unanimity of tone. It is a choral organization of acknowledged standing and prestige in the community, a direct asset and contributor to worth-while music lore and capable of even greater achievements in the future.

For the February concert, the choir will be assisted by Miss Jeanette Vreeland, well known New York soprano, and in addition to several groups of songs will carry the solo in Herbert's "Italian Street Song" from "Naughty Marietta." Wilfred Kershaw, the accompanist for the choir, also will appear on the program as an organ soloist. The chorus numbers will include selections by Allitsen, Dvorak, Kreisler, Lehmann, Herbert and Beethoven.

During last season the choir appeared several times in Boston and elsewhere, including the Copley-Plaza concert and at Tremont Temple. On both these occasions the music of the choir was broadcasted by radio station WNAC. On October 12, the choir gave a concert at the Masonic home in Charlton.

The officers of the choir follow: President, Ora W. Hardy; vice president, Frank L. Orrell; secretary, Orrin H. Webster; treasurer, George F. Wagner; librarian, Albert Wilson; assistant librarian, Frank F. Mills; conductor, Albert Edmund Brown; accompanist, Wilfred Kershaw. The foregoing officers with the following make up the executive committee: David Bird, James F. Flemmings, Arthur R. Smith and Arthur E. Judd.

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THE OLD HOME TOWN

HOWEVER, COMMA—

By JAMES W. DEAN

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—One of the wonders of the present day is the complete harmony, or at least the outward semblance of it, with which the positive, opinionated minds of H. L. Mencken and George Jean Nathan work.

Their newest collaboration is "The American Mercury," a monthly review which is now making its first bow to the public. In this you are likely to find discussion of poetry and politics, socialism and sociology, esthetics and anesthetics, ships and sealing wax. But no new mark is left where the pens of Mencken and Nathan scratch. They are simply working in a larger pasture.

The editorial setting forth the purpose and policy of the new magazine covers three-and-a-half pages of closely set type. All of it is clever and most of it means nothing. In effect they say that their purpose is to isolate individual prophets from the herd and to follow the ponderous revolutions of the mass mind, to attempt a "realistic presentation of the whole gaudy, gorgeous American scene."

Mencken and Nathan are at once high prophets of tolerance and antagonists of the views of any one group of persons. Their tolerance is only for individuals, it seems.

However, the high virtue of this new enterprise is that it engenders free-thinking. It is not for persons of settled habit of thought. It will prove of great value to those who feel that their minds are still in a formative state.

Intolerance springs from ignorance. We condemn only what we half understand, believing that we have a complete understanding.

Thus you have heard it said that there's a broken heart for every light on Broadway. The Great White Way where moths fly too close to the candle, where every fellow is out for himself.

However, you haven't listened to Nellie Revell who knew almost everyone in the "Roaring Forties" before she went to the hospital for four years, and who knew them better after she went to the hospital.

I quote from her new book, "Right Off the Chest": "It is the White Way because it pulsates with the milk of human kindness. I have drunk deeply of that nectar and I have never been as proud as I am today that I can call myself a member of both the glorious worlds of ink and of paint that meet and mingle on that street. It is a double citizenship worth staying alive to enjoy."

Pretty phrases about books being our best friends, and other such bromides, have always seemed to me to be trade-catchers for booksellers. However, as I stop to select the books of 1923 which I like best I find that I select them pretty much as I select my friends.

Some of my friends have little or no "class." Some have over-developed minds and under-developed bodies. Others have over-developed bodies and under-developed minds. Indeed, I doubt if among my friends there is one perfect man, or one perfect woman, or one perfect dog or one perfect book.

During 1923 I read 128 books through and lightly touched as many more.

For sheer beauty I like best Willa Cather's "A Lost Lady."

For its high optimism I like Nellie Revell's "Right Off the Chest."

As a novel of generous proportions I like Philip Gibbs' "The Middle of the Road."

For short stories, Sherwood Anderson's "Horses and Men."

To lift the weight of years off my heart Elizabeth Madox Roberts' little book of verse "Under the Tree."

Hendrik Van Loon's "The Story of the Bible" because it recreated interest in a more beautiful book, the Bible.

For biography, M. R. Werner's "Barnum."

To keep in mind the valor and the hardihood of the American generations that have gone before, Herbert Quick's "The Hawkeye."

For good old-fashioned melodrama, "New Bodies for Old," by Maurice Renard.

For detective thriller, E. Phillips Oppenheim's "Michael's Evil Deeds."

For a better understanding of the parade that passes me daily, "The Dance of Life," by Havelock Ellis.

For high adventure, "The Last of the Vikings," by Johan Bojer.

To soothe my nerves and quiet my mind Elizabeth Robins' "Time Is Whispering" and Joseph Conrad's "The Rover."

AT ASSOCIATE HALL

The New Year will be welcomed tonight at a monster carnival at Associate hall. There will be dancing until 1 a. m. with Miner-Doyle's orchestra furnishing the music. At midnight there will be a cotillion and noise-makers of various kinds will be distributed. Manager Roane has received a large consignment of favors, novelties and souvenirs and each person will receive a favor. The plans as arranged by the management will be a big surprise to those attending and a most enjoyable night is on the card. Remember dancing until 1 a. m. This event will be one of the best of the present season. Tuesday night there will be a New Year's party with the same orchestra playing. Admission for both these events is 50 cents.

EMBROIDERED IN BACK

A French gown that is original if nothing else is embroidered solidly in the back and is guiltless of any decorations in the front.

REPORT OF DEATHS

For the Week Ending Dec. 29, 1923.

Dec.

20—Guilford L. Stark, 70, aneurysm of aorta.

21—Eunice O. Borovoy, 8, diphtheria. Desneiges Albert, 76, arterio-sclerosis. Margaret Farley, 76, ac. appendicitis.

22—Aureamine Boisvert, 17, pulm. tuberculosis. Roland H. Provencher, 5 m., broncho-pneumonia. Anna M. Brock, 39, heart disease.

23—Olga Georgeopoulos, 27, broncho-pneumonia. Cornelius McGurn, 59, endocarditis.

24—Olive A. Burrill, 53, carcinoma. Alfred T. Cates, 77, arterio-sclerosis. Felicite Milot, 69, heart disease. James A. Thompson, 63, carcinoma. Joseph Kluczkowski, 5 m., cap. bronchitis.

25—Laura Luiz, 4, bronchitis. Joseph D. King, 71, carcinoma. Celina Mills, 36, chr. nephritis. Bridget Corliss, 55, cancer. Stanislaw Zylinski, 38, broncho-pneumonia. Napoleon St. Arnault, 57, angina pectoris.

26—Joseph Tetreault, 51, intraabdominal injury. —— Beaudette, 1 d., prem. birth. Samata Apostolakou, 32, ac. pancreatitis.

27—Clara E. Russell, 76, arterio-sclerosis. Patrick McNeely, 51, chr. int. nephritis. Catherine C. Riley, 35, endocarditis.

28—Jennie W. Bailey, 73, cer. hemorrhage.

STEPHEN FLYNN, City Clerk.

BETTER THAN SILK

Lingerie of fine linen, bound with narrow bands of colored linen, is more fascinating than silk in many cases.

Now Claire Scott holds the spotlight as New York's prettiest girl. She won a recent beauty contest and as a reward will be featured in a new movie. These beauty contests certainly seek out pretty faces, don't they?

Gas

Approximately 49,000,000 persons in the United States use Gas for lighting, heating and cooking.

Last year the American people used 325,000,000,000 cubic feet of gas, an increase of 7,000,000,000 cubic feet over 1920, and 20,000,000,000 cubic feet over 1919.

Twenty-two per cent of the total amount of manufactured gas sold is used by industrial plants in more than 1200 different ways.

Gas is now used in 7,040,000 cooking appliances; 1,570,000 water heaters; 1,268,000 space heaters, and 8,800,000 incandescent burners.

It takes 69,500 miles of gas mains to supply 4600 cities, towns and villages with gas service.

Last year the gas industry used more than 10,000,000 tons of coal and about 900,000,000 gallons of oil.

LOWELL GAS LIGHT COMPANY

Appliance Store 73 Merrimack St.

"You Can Do It Better With Gas"

The New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company

Central New England Railway Company
The New England Steamship Company
The Hartford and New York Transportation Company

December 31, 1923.

The New Haven System extends to its patrons sincere wishes for a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Realizing your requirements and that **the prosperity of transportation is dependent upon the prosperity of industry and commerce,** the facilities have been largely increased and improved during recent years, with the result that during the season now closing a record volume of traffic has been handled, with high standards of performance. The financial results for the year will show an improvement over 1922, and the prospects for net income for 1924 are encouraging.

It is the policy of the management to continue along these lines, confident that we can give you even more satisfactory service. In turn we earnestly seek and desire you to continue your helpful co-operation which we greatly appreciate. **The resulting prosperity will be the reward in which the public, the stockholders and the employes will share.**

To an unusual degree the New Haven System and its patrons are sharers of common problems. Our best interest is to be most mindful of the territory we serve; your interest is to strengthen us.

Representatives of all departments take pride in their work and wish to give good service. They are striving for the welfare of southern New England and to make the service still better. With an enlarged plant, better equipped than ever before, the New Haven personnel is seeking to win your approval, and is looking forward with confidence to the New Year.

In the large undertaking of transportation, problems are constantly arising. You are invited to take them up directly with the nearest representative of the Company. We all wish to furnish full and accurate information in regard to the matters in which you are interested. **We value your good will. We want your friendship in our endeavor to make the New Haven System one that will take foremost rank along with other New England industries.**

Constructive criticism and suggestions are invited.

On behalf of the Management,
E. J. PEARSON.

FREE—1924 CALENDAR

As these calendars are very expensive, being made up in several colors and a different picture for each month of the year, printed on first class cardboard, we can only allow a set of these cards to be given to any person making a purchase at our store, no matter how small the amount may be.

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We prefer to handle this through the druggist because his customers are usually his friends and will be honest with him.

PARIS MEDICINE COMPANY, St. Louis, Mo.

She Paid for a Parlor Suite $195.00

That A. E. O'Heir & Co. 15 Hurd Street Sell for $149.50

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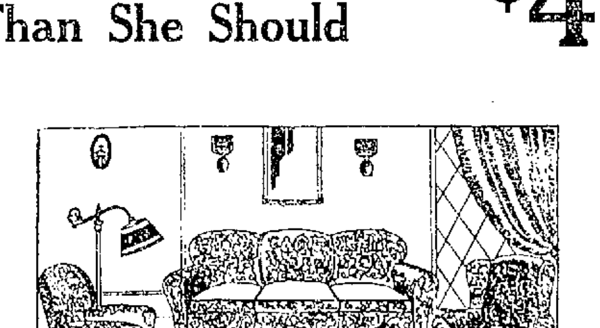

As $149.50 is enough for it. That is, we are satisfied with the profit it brings us, as our expenses are small, and we sell a lot of them at $149.50. Perhaps where they sell only a few, they can't afford to sell them for less than $195.00. But why should you pay the difference? Most anyone can use the extra $45.50 these days—and by the way, $149.50 is our time price, and she could have had a year to pay for it. But we suppose if we sold the same Parlor Suite for $25.00, we would not sell them at all. And of course when they advertise a Mark Down Sale—it's called a $195.00 Parlor Suite marked down to $155.00—a great saving of $40.00, and still it's $5.50 more than our regular price. Bear that in mind. It makes a big difference if a markdown is from an already high price or one that is already a low price.

SEE THE POINT?

The Sun has by far the largest circulation of any Lowell paper. Ninety per cent of Sun readers do not read any other Lowell newspaper. See the point Mr. Advertiser?

EVERY DAY

Every day sees us a little nearer to our goal, "Everything in Drugs." And they are all new, and the prescription material all fresh from manufacturer.

So in a sense we are able to give even better prescription quality than ever before, as everything in the drug line has been purchased since the fire Nov. 4th. We have also retained our old organization, including four registered phamacists.

HOWARD
APOTHECARY
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LOWELL DISTRICT COURT

Varied List of Offenders Disposed of by Judge Pickman Today

The "standing room only" sign was badly needed at the district court this morning, when Judge Pickman entered to dispose of an unusually long list. Over 200 persons crowded the main floor of the courtroom. The balcony overhead, which could have taken care of part of the big crowd of defendants, witnesses and spectators, was tightly locked.

A number of cases involving drunken operation of autos were on the calendar. The fines were the most lenient in many days, although all fines carried with them scathing denunciations that might be weighed as no small part of the sentence.

Napoleon P. Lemieux was drunk December 22 and drove his auto, taking Chipman Dickie and a jug of Christmas wine for a ride. He paid a fine of $25 on the auto law violation count and the drunkenness counts against him and his companion, being first offenses, were filed.

Henry Arsenault, who was driving while drunk and collided with another auto in Chelmsford, on December 22, paid a fine of $55 and a bill of $100 for repairs to the car which he hit. "It is time to put a stop to the operation of motor car by men whose senses have been blunted and dulled by rum," commented Judge Pickman in passing sentence.

Emile Belanger of Dracut, was fined $25 for driving while drunk and was given three weeks in which to raise the money to pay the fine.

The case of Henry Martineau, charged with assault and battery, was continued two weeks on request. Romeo Barnaby, similar charge, was given a continuance until Saturday.

Frank McNamara, who left a coal truck unattended with the motor running, was fined $5. The truck got loose and nearly went through a window of Moller's furniture store in Middlesex st. before a passing policeman halted its short spurt.

Joseph Souza, charged with operating an auto after his license has been revoked, was granted a continuance of one week. Harry S. Goldman, charged with misuse of auto license plates, was fined $15. Horace Trudel, charged with motor law violations, two counts, secured a continuance of one week and was released in $200 bail.

Bacchus struck a smart stride in Lowell Saturday night and didn't let up much on Sunday. The week-end blotter at police headquarters showed a fine array of Volstead jeerers taken in the toils. An even dozen first offenders, one of them a woman, were released by the probation officer after they had sobered off. Nine more noted and less fortunate topers made their bow before Judge Pickman in district court this morning.

James F. Walsh, who was assisted to the lock-up by Officer Edward F. Flanagan, was at the head of the class this morning. He finished a four months' sentence for drunkenness Saturday and found himself behind the bars before the sun had set. He has a job to go to at Nashua starting Wednesday and Judge Pickman gave him a chance to try his luck at it, filing the complaint with an adjudication of guilty.

"I'd like to start the New Year right, Your Honor," said Thomas Nagle, arrested on a drunkenness complaint for the fourth time since June.

"That's an old story; you'll start it right in jail," said the court, imposing a 30 day sentence at the house of correction.

Manuel Sylvia, who got gay with Officer Tim O'Connor, presented a dejected picture. He was a first offender and would have been released by the probation officer had he not been bailed before the jail Santa Claus could reach him. In view of this the complaint was filed and he was discharged.

The star performer of the morning session was Edward Gagnahn known to court house attaches and others as "the tent alderman," who elected to be his own counsel.

After entering a plea of not guilty to drunkenness Gagnahn struck a true judicial attitude and awaited Deputy Downey to present the state's case. The first witness called was Joseph Carroll, a male nurse at the Chelmsford street hospital. Carroll testified that Gagnahn, who is a steamfitter when he works, was drunk and profane on his arrival at the institution last night and that he, Carroll, called the patrol wagon.

"What do you know of the defendant?" asked Deputy Downey.

"Tell the truth now," interposed the defendant, with a judicial gesture.

"He has been an inmate of the Chelmsford street hospital off and on, mostly on, since 1910. He's a general nuisance; does about as he pleases. He has a habit of coming up the fire escape drunk at 2 or 3 o'clock in the morning, cursing and swearing and telling bawdy stories to the other inmates. No one can get any sleep."

"That's all unless you have some questions," said Judge Pickman.

"Only this, Your Honor," said the "tent alderman." "This is a grudge case. This fellow is a candidate for superintendent at that farm and he knows I'm against him; that's why he's trying to do me."

Gagnahn will not climb the fire escape at the Chelmsford street hospital before next April unless he escapes from the house of correction.

ZERO TEMPERATURES FAR SOUTH AS TEXAS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—The great cold blast from Alaska today had overspread the Rocky Mountain and northern plateau regions, the plains states, the Missouri valley and the interior of the west gulf states, with zero temperatures as far south as the Texas Panhandle.

It was 20 degrees below zero at many points in the northwest and at Yellowstone Park, Wyoming, 31 degrees below was registered.

A disturbance over Lake Erie this morning, according to the weather bureau will move northeastward, attended by general precipitation over the states east of the Mississippi river and it will be followed by decidedly colder weather.

Cold wave warnings have been issued for western Pennsylvania, Ohio, West Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi, South Carolina, northwest Florida, western North Carolina and extreme western Virginia.

Storm warnings are up from Block Island, R. I., to Eastport, Maine.

Snow is predicted during the next 48 hours for nearly all of the east and parts of the southeast.

CAN'T LOCATE OWNERS

Many Christmas Packages Remain Unclaimed at the Local Postoffice

As an aftermath of the Christmas rush, there are 35 packages at the postoffice on which there is no return address, and the addresses of which cannot be located. This is slightly less than last year, when there were 42 parcels, of which 16 were located subsequently through the medium of the list published in the newspapers. A list of the addresses on the unclaimed packages this year is appended below, and may be had by the owners upon establishing their identification at the postoffice. The list:

Earl Allen, Lowell, Mass.
Wm. A. Antuloeis, 28 Mt. Vernon St.
Miss Rose Ball, 1525 Middlesex St.
Mrs. Eliz. Connors, 5 Kinsman St.
V. S. Cook, Lowell, Mass.
Cora Dustin, 157 Lowell St.
Mrs. Sarah Dodge, care of Harry Stockwell.
L. J. Davis, 20 Pung St.
Mrs. Estabrook, 165 Merrimack St.
P. J. Frawley, 165 Middlesex St.
Miss C. S. and R. R. Gaudette, 71 Butler Ave.
Michael Guerin, 52 Tyler St.
James Green, 21 Apple St.
Katherine Gilman, Lowell, Mass.
John Harland, 35 Berkley Ave.
Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Horne, Box 311.
Mary E. Kefauver, Lowell, Mass.
Celia Kenney, 20 Washington St.
Herbert Lavoie, 146 Robbins St.
Mrs. Catherine Liddy, 5 Gilbrode Ter.
Alice J. Lamberton, 14 W. Main St.
Master Dick Luther, Princeton St.
Geo. Leo Moon, 39 or 59 Boylston St.
Henry Meredith, 207 Middlesex St.
Mrs. Theo. Mailloux, 28 James St.
Mrs. Motley, 29 River Road.
Mrs. Amelia Phillips, Lowell, Mass.
A. Franklin Priest, 196 Merrimack.
Mrs. E. F. Ryan, 319 Chestnut St.
Frank Sterling, 21 Court St.
Mrs. Walter Shaw, Ash St.
M. J. Sullivan, 45 Gorham St.
Manuel Souza, 69 Chapel St.
Arthur Scandal, Box 291.
Mr. Geo. E. Tenon, 29 Merial St., two packages.

MAY FORM MARINE CORPS LEAGUE POST HERE

For the first time since the organization of the U. S. Marine corps 147 years ago, an effort is being made to form a veteran's league, composed entirely of former members of the "Devil Dog" outfit, which has won such fame in all our wars. In this connection however, Gen. John A. Lejeune, national drive with the object in view of forming commandant, has instituted a national ing posts in the various localities where there are "vets" of the Marine corps.

The Marine Corps league will be non-partisan, non-sectarian, and non-political, and all men and women who served or are serving in the marine corps or its reserve will be eligible for membership. Associate membership will be extended to members of the army and navy who have served with the marine corps on detached service.

It is necessary to secure 10 members to get a local charter and the old "leathernecks" who are interested are asked to get in touch with Robert W. Dodge, at the Cashmans Co.

The stated objects of the league are: To uphold the constitution and laws of the United States.

To preserve the traditions of the United States Marine corps.

To further the aims and ideals for which marines served their country.

To aid and work for members disabled through war.

To perpetuate and honor the memories of those who died for their country.

To promote comradeship, good will and hospitality among all marines.

To disseminate information in regard to legislation state and federal beneficial to the members.

To work for adequate national defense.

To make the slogan, "Once a Marine, Always a Marine," and the motto, "Semper Fidelis," nationally known.

SACRED HEART CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS

The installation of the officers for 1924 was held yesterday afternoon in the rooms of the Sacred Heart Social club by James E. Burns, who acted as installing officer. The officers installed were: President, James L. Keenan; vice-president, John J. Sheehan; recording secretary, Timothy F. Sheehan; financial secretary, Patrick J. Currie; board of directors, Peter J. Flynn, chairman, John Boyle, Joseph Jennings, Theodore Haggerty and Howard Hartley; literary committee, Arthur Conway, chairman; George McMahon, Joseph Ryan, William Maguire and Francis Finnegan.

Mr. Keenan, an all-star basketball player on the Lowell Five and Butler A.A. last year, thanked his fellow-members for the honor bestowed upon him, promising to do his utmost for the club and its members and asking the cooperation of all that the club may have as successful a year as the previous one in which so much has been accomplished.

Following the installation a fine musical program, including vocal and instrumental selections by members, was capably given. During the course of the program remarks were made by Rev. Denis A. Sullivan, O.M.I., who spoke of the excellent work accomplished by the club and wished the members a most successful and fruitful year.

The singing of the "Star Spangled Banner" brought the meeting to a close.

On Wednesday evening, Jan. 9, the club will hold a ladies' night, one of the many entertainments on the program for winter entertainments by the local organization. At this entertainment the chorus for the coming minstrel show will be chosen.

ELKS TO LAY CORNER STONE TOMORROW

Members of Lowell Lodge, No. 87, B. P. O. Elks, will meet at the Middle street club rooms at 12.30 tomorrow noon to march to the new home in Warren street, where the cornerstone laying is to take place.

District Deputy McCarron, Congressman John J. Rogers and Mayor John J. Donovan are to be the speakers. An impressive program has been arranged.

GORGEOUS LINING

Gold and silver lame are sometimes used to line the more elaborate coats and capes of black velvet or wool.

NATIONAL LEATHER CO.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—President George H. Swift of the National Leather Co., has been elected chairman of the board and vice president W. R. Fisher advanced to the presidency.

FIRE WRECKS AUTO AND DAMAGES GARAGE

An alarm from box 517 at 5 this morning called the apparatus to the plant of the John C. Meyer Thread company on Middlesex street, near Pawtucket, where a garage and automobile were on fire. The fire evidently started in the auto which is owned by Fred Thomon, an employe of the Meyer company, and spread to the garage, damaging the interior to the extent of several hundred dollars. The automobile was almost a total loss. The recall was sounded at 5.30 o'clock.

At 6.18 this morning a still alarm summoned the apparatus from the Central fire station to the Bigelow garage on Market street, where a truck owned by Peter Vlahos was on fire. The fire was confined to the truck and the damage was slight.

RADIO BROADCASTS

WGI, MEDFORD HILLSIDE

5.30 p. m.—Closing Stock Market reports furnished by Elmer H. Bright & Co., members of the New York & Boston Stock Exchange. Agriculture, Live Stock Markets reports furnished by the U. S. Department of Agriculture. Live Stock Markets reports. Wool Market news furnished by the Commercial Bulletin of Boston.

6.00 p. m.—"Just Boy," a broadcast from the American Boy Magazine.

6.15 p. m.—Code Practice, lesson number 202.

6.45 p. m.—Boston Police reports. Boston Police Headquarters. AMRAD Silent Night.

WNAC, BOSTON,
1050 Kc. 278 Meters

1.55 p. m.—Time signals and weather report.

12.02 p. m.—Stock Market quotations.

1.00 p. m.—Shepard Colonial orchestra, selections on the player-piano and phonograph.

4.00-5.00 p. m.—Copley-Plaza Trio, Hymn to Saint Cecile, Valse Brilliante, Nocturne, Danse Macabre, Indian Wail, Trio.

5.45 p. m.—Copley-Plaza orchestra, Loew's State Theatre.

10.25 p. m.—New Year's message, by Hon. James M. Curley, mayor of Boston.

10.30 p. m. to 1 a. m.—Dance music. 10.30 p. m.—Copley-Plaza orchestra, Marchetta, Rock a By-Bo-Lady, Lil Liza Lillian, After A While, She's Only a Baby.

10.50 p. m.—Shepard Colonial orchestra, Bobbed-Hair Bimbos, Don't Waste Your Tears Over Me, Chinese Blues, He May Be Your Good Man Friday.

11.10 p. m.—State Ballroom orchestra, Sunflower Maid, Our Little Home, Bamboo Isle, Stavin' Change.

11.30 p. m.—Shepard Colonial orchestra, Mean Blues, That Naughty Yodel, Beautiful Rose, Pal of My Dreams.

11.50 p. m.—Copley-Plaza orchestra, There's Nobody Else But You, Dear Old Georgia Mammy, Happy New Year, Dream Daddy, Sobbin' Blues.

12.10 a. m.—Shepard Colonial orchestra, My Budding Rose, Everybody Likes the Same Sweet Girl, I've Got the Greens, After You've Said Goodbye.

12.30 a. m.—State Ballroom orchestra, Sunkist Rose, There's Nobody Else But You, Bobbsy, Electric Girl, Blue Rose, Those Mean Mamma Blues.

WEAF, NEW YORK
610 Kc. 492 Metres.

7.30 p. m.—Sport talk.
7.40 p. m.—Fannie L. Todd, soprano, accompanied by A. V. Llufrio.
7.50 p. m.—Scott Blakeley, Scotch tenor.
8.05 p. m.—Fannie L. Todd, soprano.
8.15 p. m.—Scott Blakeley, tenor.
8.30 p. m.—Philharmonic Society of New York in the fourth of ten educational concerts for students, from Carnegie Hall; John Powell, pianist, assisting artist. Program: Anacreon overture (Cherubini), Symphony No. 7 (Beethoven), Concerto in D Minor (MacDowell), Symphonic Poem—Les Preludes (Liszt).

11.15 p. m. to 11.45 p. m.—West End Ladies' Trio, consisting of Ethel Nugent, pianist; Adele Mays, violinist, and Sadie Kempler, cellist, with May Straln Green, baritone, and Peg Wanamaker, pianist.

11.45 p. m.—Broadcasting of chimes from Trinity church, New York city, played by William R. Murray, Jr. Chimes Program: Silver Chimes, Hail, Columbia, Who Is Sylvia? Jeanie Highland Lassie, Old Kentucky Home, Nearer, My God, To Thee, Lead, Kindly Light, Flow Gently, Sweet Afton, Columbia the Gem of the Ocean, America; Home, Sweet Home, Auld Lang Syne.

WGY, SCHENECTADY,
790 Kc. 380 Meters

9 p. m. to 12 Midnight—Community Watch Night service of First Methodist Episcopal church, Schenectady, N. Y. Invocation, Rev. P. A. MacDonald, pastor, State Street Presbyterian church. Violin and organ recital: Legende, Farewell to Bohemia, Souvenir, Serenade, hymns, O Worship the King, He Leadeth Me, Onward, Christian Soldiers, the congregation, led by Young People's Chorus, contralto-baritone duet, The Lord is My Light, prayer, Rev. A. W. Beavers, pastor Emmanuel Baptist church; responsive reading, Psalter, Rev. R. W. Anthony, pastor First Presbyterian church; anthem, How Beautiful Upon the Mountains, Charlotte Bord Gilbert, Mayfred Spooner, John Lloyd, Fred A. Heacox, offertory, Cavatina, Mrs. J. Williams Loane, Doxology, bearing of American flag to altar; soprano-baritone duet, Angels of Light, Charlotte B. Gilbert, Fred A. Heacox, hymn, Am I a Soldier of the Cross, congregation, address, What the New Year Means to Me, Dean R. H. Horner, State Teachers' College, Albany, tenor-baritone duet, Watchman, What of the Night? address, What the New Year Means to Me, Dr. W. J. Swart, member First Presbyterian church; anthem, God So Loved the World, quartet; address, What the New Year Means to Me, Prof. C. N. Waldron, Union college; anthem, O For the Wings of a Dove, quartet, prayer, Rev. G. H. Baker, pastor First Baptist church; address, New Year Message, Rev. George Elliott, D.D.; closing minutes, The New Year Dedication, Rev. Philip L. Frick, pastor First Methodist Episcopal church, New Year chimes, benediction, Rev. H. H. Murdock, pastor Trinity Methodist Episcopal church.

WJZ, NEW YORK,
660 Kc. 455 Meters.

7 p. m.—Animal stories by Mrs. Renee Riggs.
7.30 p. m.—Dogs, by Frank Dole.
8.15 p. m.—Literary minutes.
8.30 p. m.—Organ recital.
9.25 p. m.—Musical program of the Mark Strand Symphony orchestra.
11.45 p. m.—New Year's eve chime service on the chimes of St. Patrick's cathedral.

KDKA, PITTSBURGH,
920 Kc. 326 Meters.

6.15 p. m.—Dinner concert by KDKA Little Symphony orchestra.
7.30 p. m.—Radio Girl Scout meeting conducted by Laura Holland.
7.45 p. m.—The children's period.
8 p. m.—Market reports.
8.15 p. m.—Address by a representative of the Pittsburgh Quota club.
8.30 p. m.—Concert by the Ohio Wesleyan Glee club of Delaware, O.
9.55 p. m.—Arlington time signals. Weather forecast.
11 p. m.—New Year's eve service from the Point Breeze Presbyterian church.

WBZ, SPRINGFIELD,
890 Kc. 337 Meter

6 p. m.—Dinner concert by the WBZ Trio.
7 p. m.—This week in history. Late news from the national industrial conference board. Humorous program.
7.10 p. m.—Bedtime story for grown-ups.
9.55 p. m.—Arlington time signals.
7.30 p. m.—Twilight tales for the kiddies.

DRY AGENTS KEEP "OPEN HOUSE"

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Divisional offices of the prohibition unit throughout the country will keep "open house" tonight in a concerted effort to prevent New Year's parties from violating the prohibition law.

Prohibition officials declared today that with extra precautions being taken everywhere, it seemed certain the old year would pass out in a perfectly legal manner.

Engaged in Big Battle
Continued

materials to the Obregon government of Mexico.

Secretary Hughes discussed the subject at length with Secretary Weeks, who said afterward that several points remained to be settled before the war department orders Major General Edward M. Lewis, commanding the eighth army corps area to turn over the purchased property to Obregon representatives at San Antonio.

The exact quantity of material to be sold has not been revealed, but it apparently will be confined to rifles, ammunition and airplanes. In connection with an assertion by representatives of the De la Huerta faction in Mexico that the Obregon government also asked for some light cruisers, attention was called today to the provision in the Washington naval treaty:

"Each of the contracting powers undertakes not to dispose by gift, sale or any mode of transfer of any vessel of war in such manner that such vessel may become a vessel of war in the navy of any foreign power."

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 31.—Telegraphing to the Mexico City headquarters of the railwaymen's federation from Irapuato, President Obregon denounced as "calumnious" the charge in cables of United States railway men from Vera Cruz to the effect that the federal forces had ordered the execution of five railroaders at Santa Lucrecia, state of Vera Cruz. The federation is investigating for the purpose of telegraphing a denial to fellow workers in the United States, should the charge prove unfounded.

VERA CRUZ, Dec. 31. (By the Associated Press) Rebel forces under Gen. Cavazos are marching on Pachuca, capital of the state of Hidalgo, situated 55 miles northeast of Mexico City, according to advices received by rebel headquarters here.

Cavazos, who is operating independently of the main body of the insurrectionists, is said to have considerably increased his forces, having been able to extend the insurrection to a large area in the states of Puebla and Hidalgo. Before beginning his march on Pachuca, capture of which the rebels claim would present a serious menace to Mexico City, he occupied the important railway town of Tulancingo. The rebels claim that on the basis of their latest reports, Pachuca has either been taken by this time or is on the verge of surrender.

The authorized statement obtained Saturday at the state department relative to the proposed sale made no mention of any request to purchase naval vessels. It is obvious, however, that the United States government as a party to the naval treaty would be foreclosed from selling to Mexico any vessel of war.

The question of payment for the war materials still is to be worked out through the secretary of war, and it was made plain today that only the question of general policy was considered by the state department in connection with the transactions.

In view of the general attitude of the Washington government that it could not avoid assenting to sell the material to the Obregon government, without being guilty of an unfriendly act toward a government with which it had just entered into complete diplomatic accord, it is assumed that the price to be fixed by the war department will be based upon the figure that could have been obtained at an ordinary surplus war stock sale.

It was denied specifically at the state department today that Charles B. Warren, member of the commission which negotiated the claims conventions with the Mexican government had played any part in the granting of Mexico's request.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS IN 5500 STABLES

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—In each of the 5500 stables housing a thoroughbred horse there will be occasion for a birthday celebration today.

For the new year brings with it another year added to the age of every one of the country's race horses, regardless of the time of foaling.

Thus Zev, the greatest of 1923 three-year-olds, enters the four-year-old handicap class tomorrow, because of the arbitrary birthday established to bring uniformity of ages for classification.

Likewise In Memoriam and My Own will pass out of the three-year-old class and become four year olds.

Many colts entered the yearling class though barely able to be away from their mothers. A class of nearly 800 yearlings became two year olds and will get the first competition of their lives during the coming season.

It is explained by followers of the turf that the uniform horse birthday was long ago established in order to make classification of race horses more uniform. They point out that while some horses born on Dec. 31, may be handicapped by being immediately placed in the yearling group the great number are foaled early in the new year and graduate gracefully into their classes.

NOT TO RUN FOR GOVERNOR

LEWISTON, Me., Dec. 31.—Congressman Wallace H. White of this city in a telegram received here today, definitely announced that he would not be a candidate for the republican gubernatorial nomination.

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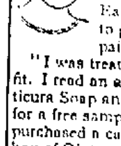

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THE NEW YEAR

As the old year passes out, we glance backward to see its record in its unusual events; and so far as Lowell is concerned as compared with other cities, the closing year is not one to be recalled with unusual regrets to any great number of our people. True, there has been a slight dullness in business, but this is a mere trifle compared to the panics we have experienced in the past when the factories were idle and a vast number of people had little or no reserve funds to tide them over the depression.

Although several factories have been running on short time, very few have suffered as a result. The places of amusement have been patronized as freely as in the most prosperous times, which indicates that the depression in the textile industry has not had serious effects thus far. As for the New Year, there is confidence of improved business on all sides. It will be fraught with the excitement of a national election; but the republicans will do their utmost to keep the industries of the country quite active and apart from this, it appears that we are on the eve of a very general improvement in industrial conditions.

Economists and others competent to judge of the conditions ahead, are quite confident that the New Year will bring increased industrial activity with plenty of work for everybody. The proposed reduction of tax burdens that have discouraged enterprise and placed obstacles in the path of business progress, will result in a great step forward and improvement in every line of business. This and many other indications of a similar kind offer ample ground for optimism in entering upon the New Year; and without this spirit of self confidence and courage, there can be no success anywhere. In thus hopefully crossing the threshold from the old to the new, The Sun wishes to each and all a happy and a prosperous New Year.

DISTRICT COURT PROBLEM

The community is practically of one mind upon the necessity of new quarters for a district court and to give effect to this sentiment and take practical steps towards remedying the situation in a proper manner, Rep. Corbett a few weeks ago filed a bill with the clerk of the house authorizing the county commission to borrow a sum not exceeding $400,000 for the purpose of providing a district court building for Lowell or suitable quarters in some other way. This move by Mr. Corbett caused the county commission to prepare a measure of its own, the provisions of which are not yet definitely known.

It has been proposed in some quarters that the district court and the police station as well, might be moved to the jail, but to this the police department, the Bar Association and, I believe, the majority of our citizens are sturdy opposed. Such a change would not be acceptable as a remedy for the present situation. The jail is too far removed from the centre of the city and it is not reached even by the street cars. The building is all right for a jail, but as a location for the Lowell police station or the local district court, it is unthinkable. The county would be glad to unload the jail on the city, but I doubt whether the mayor and city council could be induced to favor any such proposition.

The proposal of the commission to build an extension to the court house on Gorham street for a district court is objectionable in many ways, and hence, it is sincerely hoped that a more acceptable solution of the problem will be found. It would seem that a mutual understanding that would be satisfactory to all concerned, might be reached by a conference between the commission and the mayor and city council. Otherwise it is expected the city government will favor the Corbett bill, but the final decision will rest with the legislature.

GERMAN DYES AGAIN

Germany has a dye trust, one of the largest organizations in industrial Germany. For years this trust has held sway over the world's demands for needed dyes. Notwithstanding the remarkable advances made by American chemical engineers, there are still dyes made in Germany that no other nation can produce. That is the reason why American textile manufacturers today are always worrying because certain German-made dyes do not arrive in time to be used in certain cloth manufacturing processes.

Now we learn that Germany is once more prepared not only to renew her dye industries from the bottom to the top, but regain her old prized monopoly of the world's markets which was broken by the World war and has remained somewhat shaken since the armistice.

No doubt Germany would delight to wreck the present industry in the United States if she could. Although one recent attempt was repulsed, the Germans are preparing steadily to reestablish their dye manufacturing interests in America once more. Germany's latest method is to divide the great trust operating in that country into many smaller concerns, each German company seeking an alliance with one of our larger companies here in this country. The aim is to destroy ultimately all smaller American concerns.

We are informed that at the present time, the United states is independent in the dye field, having passed the worst stage and there is no reason why we shouldn't keep ahead of all other countries of the world from now on not excepting Germany. If the latter country secures new footholds in this country, it will be because American manufacturers, who in many instances were in the habit of trading with Germany for required dyes, set aside their patriotism for the time being and encourage our former foes in their latest endeavors to regain their supremacy in an important field of world trade.

BERTON BRALEY'S POEM

We have often wondered how many of our readers fully appreciate the daily poem by Berton Braley printed in the upper right hand corner of the editorial page.

For our own part we enjoy it immensely as it is usually of the sparkling, light and airy kind that diffuses sunshine and causes one to take a now and perhaps a more optimistic view of life in general. Mr. Braley does not indulge in metaphysical complexities, nor effect the obscure profundity of Browning. He just writes in plain mellifluous language with rare simplicity and every poem he writes has some catchy point that is well worth remembering.

It is said that poets are gifted with what is known as the divine afflatus; and certainly Berton Braley is so endowed, or otherwise he could not keep up the "poem a day" contract and have each as fresh as if it were his first and only one. We hope that all the readers of The Sun will read this poem daily and imbibe the wholesome sentiments therein presented by this gifted writer.

Usually poets write only when under a sort of inspiration; but the writer who agrees to turn out a poem a day, we surmise must often write under pressure and without the aid which the Muses are supposed to offer. But no one would suppose that Mr. Braley's poems were so written inasmuch as they are as fresh and as fragrant as the breeze from the wild-wood, or that which comes laden with sweet echoes from the heights of Parnassus where the strains of divine music and song emanating from the temple of the Muses, allure the gods from their home in Olympus.

To Berton Braley who weaves the daily garland for Sun readers, we send the greetings of the season and wish him and his a happy and a prosperous New Year.

A QUALITY COAL TIP

A bulletin from the state commission on necessaries of life referring once more to anthracite coal, was overlooked in the mass of similar communications mailed in the direction of Lowell and vicinity recently. One interesting paragraph in the bulletin now at hand, refers to the "future of honest coal" thus:

"Those coal mines which have fuel that is, by nature, honest and whose owners make it better, if possible, by sifting and sorting out the removable impurities, are being put on the preferred buying lists of those who know what 'quality coal' is, and will go on producing and selling coal. On the other hand, those who are day by day, learning to discriminate between good coal and bad are growing more numerous, and the buying by this increasing number is steadily reducing the number of mines qualified to stay in business. In this way industry is bound freed of carrying the load, the burden of unprofitable investments in worthless mines and in the millions of railroad cars now hauling waste material mixed in with coal."

HE LIVES HIGH

Judge Cohalan of New York must be a high liver if his salary of $15,000 is not sufficient to support his family. The members of the cabinet at Washington live in style and are paid but $12,000 each. Cohalan has other reasons for resigning and one may be that he could not get re-elected. It is also said Justice Cohalan will manage the campaign of Senator Reed of Missouri for the democratic nomination for president. He could not do this and remain on the bench. He is a well known jurist and can probably earn more in the practice of law than by remaining on the bench.

For the next few weeks the candidates will benefit city hall to the discomfort of the mayor and the council. But that is one of the penalties of office holding.

Ye youngsters wait for skating at Shedd park, where you will not be drowned even if you do break through. gwetlsssawellimk.yis

A Happy New Year to all.

THE MAN ABOUT TOWN

Members of Court Gen. Dimon, F. of A., are planning a trip to Lawrence next Thursday evening. The local court is anticipating one of the best winter rallies of Foresters in this section of the state. Court Montgomery of the down-river city will entertain and the Lowell court hopes to have a large delegation of local fraternal brothers make the journey. All Lowell courts, F. of A., will be represented at the rally.

Women real estate agents are no longer rare. Many cities in New England today have the names of representative business women who deal in real estate of all kinds and perform their part in the realty salesmanship world with honor and wisdom. Even the nearby town of Chelmsford can boast of an active real estate agent of the feminine gender. I refer to Mrs. J. A. Fletcher, who advertises regularly that she has real estate listed for conveyance to buyers seeking properties in that territory.

Time for argument before the interstate commerce commission on the subject of railroad consolidation has been assigned to cover six days beginning Jan. 7. Counsel for railroads and interests concerned in the tentative plan for general consolidation of the railroads of the United States will be given opportunity at that time to discuss the evidence and showings which have been elicited by two full years of hearings before the commission and its examiners. The commission takes up on Tuesday of the "argument week," the New England situation, concluding discussion of this territory on Wednesday. Boston is to be liberally represented at the hearings and we understand that Lowell will be also. The railroad question in New England should be settled once and for all.

We note with some interest that the state minimum wage commission has decreed a minimum wage of $13.20 per week for women employed in the manufacture of druggists' preparations. Our first thought is that $13.20 is little enough, but it is about the weekly budget upon which the board arrived at and upon which it based its finding that we intend to speak. This budget, by the way, purports to cover the amount necessary to enable a self supporting woman to meet the cost of living and maintain her health. It totals $13.20, the minimum wage decreed by the commission for a woman, who lives respectably without assistance from any source.

Although the reproduction of the budget in detail may constitute a repetition of an article in the news columns, it is given herewith:

Board and lodging	$ 8.00
Clothing	2.00
Laundry	.50
Carfare	.40
Doctor, dentist, oculist	.25
Church	.15
Vacation	.40
Recreation and self improvement	.55
Reserve for emergencies	.00
Incidentals	.20
Insurance	.95
Total	$13.20

Let it be said at the outset that your column writer today is not of the gentler sex, nor does he know any woman among the many who doubtless earn a living by the manufacture of druggists' preparations. We start unbiased, therefore.

Consider the above budget, consider it carefully and tell me if you can, how far a manufacturer of druggists' preparations, or any other woman for that matter, can "get by" on the amount named. How far or how often can a person ride nowadays in a week on the electric cars for 40 cents? How much of a vacation can a person enjoy on the accumulations of 40 cents per week for 50 weeks, totalling $20? What "incidentals" can be purchased for 20 cents a week and also, what are these self-same "incidentals"? "Church," assigned 15 cents weekly, gets little enough and 50 cents will not take care of an "emergency" of any great magnitude, unless it be the need of 25 two-cent postage stamps. In like manner, "Recreation and Self Improvement" will not allow for much riotous living on the expenditure or saving of 55 cents between Saturday and Saturday.

James H. Spaulding, for 55 years a freight conductor on the New York, New Haven & Hartford lines and known to all old-timers on the Old Colony division running out of Lowell to Framingham, plans to retire for keeps and turn in his lanterns, receipt books and time cards down at the Bridgeport portal of the line. James has "braked" it all over the New Haven, from New York to Boston and all over the "side lines" such as the Lowell-Framingham. He was a great friend of travelling circus men and was on one train that hustled Barnum & Bailey's circus to Lowell from Fall River, one night in early June. Both stopped at the old Washington Tavern the next day and shook hands warmly when their fraternal bodies were recognized by the rim emblems each wore. Barnum are his meals in the Tavern dining room and not shaved right across back Central street in a little barber shop that stood very nearly. All the circus men knew Spaulding as "Black James." He is freely disposed to him in his resting days from now on!

The coming E. C. C. annual show is destined to be the best ever conducted by the local council in the estimation of Daniel S. Collyer, who is chairman of the committee in charge of this annual affair. Mr. Collyer ought to know when a thing is good, as he has witnessed innumerable productions in the past and has had a wide personal experience in things theatrical. As head of the production now in the making, he has worked diligently to insure its success and promises the public something unusual in the line of modern minstrelsy.

An amusing incident is related in the Brooklyn Tablet concerning the recent arrest of the Oberammergau Passion players in this country. Stewards on the ship which transported the famous characters to America called the actors by their biblical names in the Passion play. When the steamer docked at New York a short time ago, one of the stewards called out to a baggage porter: "Say, Joe, tell St. Peter that St. Matthew says he can't find his umbrella and wants to know if Judas has taken it by mistake."

During the last few days a prominent local stock exchange has been agog over the rumors that Lieut. Osgood Wood had accumulated a fortune of nearly a million dollars by dabbling in stocks. Frequenters of local office haunts talked the matter over since it was announced in the press a few days ago and all are agreed that the mystery is insolvable. To the uninitiated, the stock exchange board is certainly a conundrum, and I frankly and gladly admit that I am numbered among the nonspeculating class.

SEEN AND HEARD

Buy a new dress. Tell him you made it. Claim your clothes cost a dollar a month. You can marry him.

Get all cleaned up. Put on a gingham apron. Let him supposedly find you at work. Propose quickly.

Look your best even when you feel your worst. You will have time to feel bad after you marry him.

"Eph, I'll give you ten dollars to have your picture made in the cage with that lion." "No sir, boss, not me." "He won't hurt you; he hasn't got any teeth." "Mebbe so, but I ain't going to be gummed to death by no old lion, nuthah."

Little Lillian Bannerman. Lovely red, white and blue button. "Vote for Kelly." Inquisitive little Lillian. Wonder how the lovely red, white and blue button tastes? "Mamma!" Castor oil! Ambulance! Bellevue! X-ray! More castor oil. Everything all right.

Philip Lang, chauffeur for the Brownsville Station patrol wagon, spilled gasoline on his coat sleeve while filling the car's tank yesterday, entered the station house and tried to light a cigar. Mail will reach him at St. Mary's hospital, Brooklyn.

A Thought

Virtue alone is sweet society,
It keeps the key to all heroic hearts,
And opens you a welcome in them all.
—Emerson.

No Experience

At the club they were talking of germs and germ carriers. One member maintained that kisses carried germs. Another considered paper money the chief offender. "Your opinions are merely vague guesses," declared the third. "What have the scientists found out on the subject?" Nobody knew. A college professor drifted in and they called on him. "We were discussing germ carriers, professor. What do the scientists have to say about kisses and paper money?" "Kisses and paper money, eh?" echoed the professor. "The average scientist has had little experience with either." —Chicago News.

Could Spare One

Miss Margaret Woodrow Wilson told this story at a dinner in Washington: "Theodore Roosevelt was out bear hunting. He stopped at a backwoodsman's cabin for snack one day and while he ate his snack he stared out of the window, so as not to miss any bears that might pass by. Suddenly he gave a loud, indignant yell. 'My goodness me,' he said to the backwoodsman, 'haven't you got any better sense than to let that little child out here play with a loaded gun? Why, it's a terrible dangerous thing.' "'Aw, I dunno,' the backwoodsman drawled. And then he bit off a chew from a big plug and added 'I got 16 other children.'"

In Those Days

A young husband criticized the biscuits his bride served him for breakfast, employing the usual stereotyped comparison. Instead of weeping, as some brides would, she got busy and as a result of her work she set before him the next morning a plate of hot biscuits alleged to be the real thing. "Now you've got it," he exclaimed delightedly as he sampled the new lot. "These are exactly like mother used to make. How did you happen to hit upon the recipe?" "It's no great secret," said his wife, with glittering eyes. "I put in oleo instead of butter, used cold storage eggs, dropped a bit of alum in the flour and adulterated the milk. Remember, sweetheart, that mother lived before the enactment of the pure-food law."—Pick-up.

Vague At Times

Lord Meath, who was the godson of Mrs. Gladstone, says that his godmother was rather vague at times. "On one occasion," he continues, "I received an invitation to dinner from her, written on a half-sheet of paper, and on turning it over I found it was a tradesman's bill, and across it in red ink were written the words, 'This is the 10th application.' On another occasion, when I was quite grown up, I took the chair at a public meeting and on the platform on one side of me sat my mother and on the other side sat Mrs. Gladstone. She seemed very pleased with the speech I made, and after I had finished my remarks she said to my mother, speaking across me, 'May I kiss him?' and without waiting for a reply she embraced me before the whole meeting. I was still, in her eyes, the little godchild she had so lovingly watched over from babyhood."

An Owed of Love

You cared for me. Your laughter gay
Drifts backward; holds me in its sway.
Although I can't recall your name,
Still lurks within my heart a flame
Of love that will not die away.

My slightest wish you would obey
And though I'd hate to be astray
I feel that I can take this risk,—
You cared for me.

Despite all this I hope and pray
Before we meet My thinned locks
Frame
That there will be a long delay
And hazeall look are very lame
For, mirror, it cost me locks each day
You cared for me.

—Philly Stack (New York Comb.

HOLD UNION WATCH NIGHT SERVICES

Union watch night services will be conducted this evening by members of the Church of All Nations and Central M. E. church, who will gather in the latter edifice this evening at 8 o'clock. The announcement of this step indicates a readjustment of the former observance program of the Methodist church organization in Lowell.

The pastors of both churches will speak briefly at the first service of the evening. At 9.45 p. m. Rev. C. S. Otto of St. Paul's church will give an illustrated lecture on Yellowstone park. At 11, Rev. C. E. Spaulding, D.D., is to preach, and, assisted by clergymen present, will administer communion service.

The Epworth leagues of the two churches will serve buffet and provide other social features for all present. There will also be special music by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rodgers throughout the evening. At midnight they will play "Bells of Aren" outside the church.

At St. Anne's church

[illegible] conducted tonight in St. Anne's church from 11 o'clock to midnight, the church doors will open at 10 o'clock, there will be appropriate music played by William [illegible] Hello, [illegible] organist. At 11 p. m. the [illegible] church choir of 60 voices will march into the auditorium and take places in the chancel. Services will start at midnight when the chimes in each church belfry proclaim the advent of the New Year.

RUFFLED BLOOMERS

[illegible] was with the [illegible] popularity of petticoats.

REJOICING ON SUCCESS OF IRISH LOAN

Newspapers recently received from Ireland indicate that there is great satisfaction in government circles over the success of the Free State loan of $50,000,000, which was over-subscribed by 14 per cent. The Irish Times of Dublin, discussing the success of the loan in the course of a long editorial, said:

"The whole country will share Mr. Ernest Blythe's satisfaction at the success of the Free State loan. It was over-subscribed by a million and a half, and all the money came from the public. There has been no necessity for resort to the Free State banks, which 'stood by' to meet possible deficiencies. Every subscriber of £5000 or less will receive a full allotment. There were some 22,000 subscribers in all, and thus the individual subscription reached an average of some 500 pounds. These figures are of the happiest portent. They mean, in the first place, that, as Mr. Blythe (minister of finance) said, 'The country is definitely on its feet as regards credit.' Before the loan the national credit was strong in theory; today it is strong in fact. By an act of faith the people have created their own security, and the elements of insecurity have been reduced to proportions which it sound and sober government obtains may be regarded as almost negligible. In the next place, the interests of the Free State are now identified with those of a large body of shareholders in the state—persons of every occupation, creed and class. We have established such a community of rentiers as in all lands is the surest guarantee of public stability. Again, the success of this first loan means that future borrowings may be arranged more easily and on cheaper terms. Mr. Blythe is encouraged to believe that henceforward the state can be financed altogether from internal sources.

"The moral results of assured national credit may be held to be, in the case of Ireland, the most important of all its results. Through seven centuries this country has been haunted by a tradition of failure—passionate, dramatic, heroic and, at times, glorious failure, but still failure. We went forth to battle, and we always fell. We had no confidence in ourselves; we never felt, as other nations felt, the conviction that peace and progress must reward industry and effort. Even when liberty knocked at the door we admitted her in a half-hearted fashion, doubtful of our power to keep her. Now, as we believe, that long-lived and disastrous frame of mind has vanished. The success of the loan has inspired us with a new sense of confidence in ourselves. It has transformed the national psychology. We see ourselves no longer as the victims of some malignant destiny, but as a vigorous people starting life afresh, masters of our fate, dowered not less richly than any other country with the attributes of progress. The loan was an act of faith not only in the Free State government, but in ourselves. The interest that it will pay in terms of cash is not to be compared with the interest that it will pay in terms of national steadiness, self-respect and ambition.

"Furthermore, the loan has achieved social and political results of the utmost value. It has established a new fellowship between men of all classes and creeds in the Free State. We shall hesitate henceforward to talk about the 'minority' in southern Ireland; for the loan has deprived the word of any political meaning so far as domestic politics are concerned. Finally, we may hope that the success of the loan, and the causes and moral of that success, have brought the whole country nearer to the goal of national unity. The loan has achieved more than many years of proganda, bland or menacing could achieve to improve the relations between the Free State and northern Ireland. It has advertised southern self-respect and progress in the language that northern industry can understand."

LOWELL AD CLUB SOUVENIR DINNER

The second annual souvenir dinner of the Lowell Ad club will be given this evening at the Auditorium, to be honored by the presence of Lieut. Governor Alvan T. Fuller and Mrs. Fuller and Congressman John Jacob Rogers. In addition to the lieutenant-governor and the Lowell congressman the principal speakers will be Professor Austin McCormick of Bowdoin and Mayor John J. Donovan.

In many, many ways this annual affair of the Ad club is unique and promises to establish a new high mark in winter social activities. The dinner has been preceded by most elaborate plans and preparation for the entertainment of the 500 who will attend, there will be souvenirs galore and surprises as the old year wanes and a new one is born.

All reservations have been taken and although a waiting list has been formed it is doubtful if accommodations are available beyond the limit number of 500. Edward J. Cooney will serve as toastmaster, Robert B. Wood as floor director and Frank Ricard as chairman of the general committee in charge.

The dinner will begin promptly at 6.30 o'clock to be followed by the post prandial program, the awarding of 130 raffle prizes and then general dancing until some time next year.

NATURE'S BLOOM

Practically every smart woman you see these days wears a gardenia on her coat or on her fur neckpiece.

Turn over the page, for a year is done
And nineteen hundred and twenty-three
Is a book that's finished, a yarn that's spun,
A thing that isn't—but used to be:
Here's a brand new page, and a brand new pen
With which to scribble some brand new lore,
We can't write last year over again
So—what'll we write in '24?

Shall we carry over the last year's dope
Of greed, hypocrisy, hate and doubt?
Or shall we substitute Love and Hope
And leave those uglier passions out?
Here's a brand new page and a brand new chance
For a brand new tally, a brand new score,
What'll we write on this clean expanse,
What'll we write in '24?

The blots and errors of '23
The blurs and scratches are absent here,
For this is a brand new page we see,
A brand new page and a brand new year,
What ever is written is ours to write:
Shall we improve on the days of yore?
It's up to us—here's a page that's white,
What'll we write in '24?

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The Season's Greetings

To Our Many Friends and Customers We Extend Our Heartiest Wishes for a

Happy New Year

During the year now coming to a close it has been our privilege to serve an ever-growing list of new customers, and we earnestly hope that all who have helped us in the past and all whom we hope to meet in the future will accept our assurances of co-operation and service.

The Lowell Electric Light Corporation

A New Year's Greeting

In extending our greetings for the coming year, we desire to say that we count among the most valuable assets in our business life the good will of the community in which we live and endeavor to serve.

In this there is a great satisfaction, and we extend to one and all in our good city our sincere wishes for

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AND SO THEY NAMED HER

There are many ways of choosing a name. When the medicine man of the Glacier National Park Indian reservation called to fasten a title on this little daughter of Chief Crow Feathers, he found her astride this pony. Thereupon, he called her "Curry Crow Feathers." And that was that.

AMUSEMENT NOTES

LOWELL OPERA HOUSE

"The Lion and the Mouse," a stirring drama of love, intrigue and adventure, opens tonight at the Lowell Opera House as the stellar attraction of the Luttringer stock players for the first week of the new year. This play is one of the most successful stock plays ever written and is certain to evoke much favorable comment.

Victor Browne has the part of the lion. He is Ready Money Ryder, bent on crushing a judge who has fallen in his disfavor. Miss Hazel Corrine has the part of the daughter of the judge who has been marked for impeachment. Richard Morgan, the son of Ready Money Ryder, falls deeply in love with the daughter of his father's enemy. You can imagine the complications which ensue. They add a piquancy and flavor to the plot that make certain the play will be well liked.

Jack Ravold, John Rowe, Malcolm MacLeod, Marguerite Slavin, Edna Earl Andrews, Fern Chandler and Kathleen Keating all have adorable parts. Seats may now be reserved by phoning 261.

OPERA HOUSE MIDNIGHT SHOW

"Just a real good time" is assured all who take in the midnight show, "The League of Nonsense," presented under the auspices of Al Luttringer by French and Bagley at the Lowell Opera House tonight. There will be noise-makers, special New Year's favors, and everything that is needed to make up a miniature Mardi Gras. A special orchestra will furnish music for the party which begins just at 11.15. Dancing in the back of the theatre will be the beginning. The "League of Nonsense" show will start at 11.30 o'clock.

Seat reservations for parties may be made by phoning 261. Tickets will not be held after that hour unless special arrangements are made. A good patronage and a lively time is certain. The summit of the proscenium arch is the limit and merry makers are expected to hit their stride early, the "League of Nonsense" girls acting as pace makers.

The regular performance by the stock players, "The Lion and the Mouse" will precede the midnight show, ending at 10.30 o'clock. The hour interim provides just time enough for lunch for those who intend to take in both attractions.

B. F. KEITH'S THEATRE

Special attention is called to the schedule of performances at the B. F. Keith theatre today and tomorrow. Today there will be three shows, two of which will start at the regular time. The afternoon performance will open at 2 o'clock, and the first evening show will start at 8 o'clock. At 11 o'clock there will be presented a bill which will carry through to New Year's day. It will be a show which differs in many respects from the scheduled presentation, for it will hold a lot of impromptu fun. The Blossom Heath orchestra will play for dancing on the stage.

Tomorrow, New Year's day, there will be three shows beginning respectively at 1, 5.30 and 8 o'clock. Present indications point to an unusual demand for tickets for all these performances.

The week's bill will have everything of a holiday nature to it, and in front position there will be the celebrated Blossom Heath orchestra, composed of eight young men from Wheeling, West Virginia. They have made many records under the name of the Virginia Serenaders. Only recently have they finished a 14 weeks' engagement at the celebrated Blossom Heath Inn, Long Island. This is one of the most exclusive of roadhouses about New York, and the orchestra is known to thousands of frequenters of this noted place. Let it be said that the members of the orchestra, who are all white, not only play jazz but some of the most melodious of classical music, can dance and are decidedly bright as comedians. They will make a splendid holiday headliner.

Brown and Whitaker ought to capture a lot of applause with their act, "Clown Topics" is the title of their turn, which is replete with comedy, music and dancing. The chatter of this couple is redolent of the big theatres on Broadway, where the very latest in fun is provided.

Little Lord Robert, the brilliant Lilliputian, who was placed in a leading part in Victor Herbert's "Little Nemo" will bring real merit to the bill. He can dance and sing and act like the biggest of big men, and his work is lopped with artistry throughout.

John T. Ray and Grace Hilliard will offer their new comedy novelty, "The Evening Breeze." They are prime makers of good fun and music. Ray has the character of a small town taxi man, and Miss Hilliard will be the saleslady from a big town.

Louise Binder and Fred Roy, who are both versatile, will bring out a snappy bit of fun, and the Les Ghezzis are known as among the very best of Europe's athletes. They are artistic in their wonderful work.

"Tea With a Kick," a splendid laughing picture, with a cast of 27 principals, will be the knockout presentation. Then there will be the Fables, the Topics of the Day and Pathe News.

RIALTO THEATRE

Two bobbed haired flappers, the cutest in pictures, are on the Rialto program today. They are Viola Dana and Gladys Walton. The former will be seen in "Crinoline and Romance," a southern story, and the latter will appear in "Sawdust," a story of the circus.

"Sawdust" presents Gladys Walton in the finest starring vehicle in which she has been seen since "Pink Tights," one of her very first successes which was also a story of the big top. In "Sawdust" she is a tight-rope walker.

She is suddenly transplanted from the environment of the circus to the quiet home of an old couple who had lost their only child. The result—why you can just imagine—a lively circus girl, a small village, peace and quiet, no noise. She stood it as long as she was able and she stayed longer than she intended when she fell in love with a young country attorney.

"Crinoline and Romance" is the title of the added feature which has vivacious Viola Dana for its star. In this picture, Miss Dana appears in the role of a demure and utterly unsophisticated southern miss. The gay, spirited manner which one usually associates with her acting is not lacking in this characterization by any means; but she adds a charming simplicity that is delightfully different. The story is concerned with the life of Emy Lou, who lives with her grandfather in a secluded section of North Carolina. The girl knows little of the world outside the gates of her home, for beyond it she has never ventured. She has never had the companionship of men and women her own age. Then she decides to revolt. She runs away with her "mammy" to the ultra smart home of her fashionable aunt, Mrs. Winchelton, where a select coterie of very advanced young folks are her guests. A big sensation follows.

THE STRAND

Tonight performances will be continuous up to midnight. Come and see the New Year make its entrance. The program for the first part of the week is one that will surely appeal to all patrons, for it has all of the [illegible] elements found in the better [illegible] pictures. "The Wanters," a great production by John Stahl, with Marie Prevost and others favorites in the cast is one of the attractions, and Katherine MacDonald, the famous screen beauty in "The Scarlet Lily" is the second feature. These alone would make a program of exceptional worth, but the management has also provided a good comedy and Weekly, as well as special musical numbers. Don't miss it. It's a truly worth-while offering.

MIDNIGHT SHOW AT STRAND

Patrons of the Strand will have an opportunity of witnessing the entrance of 1924 tonight. The management has arranged for continuous performances up to midnight tonight, and the program will be so arranged that the last performance will be completed just as the New Year enters.

NEW YEAR PLEDGES ARE NOW IN ORDER

FRIEDA HEMPEL WILL SING HERE

Frieda Hempel, "The Jenny Lind of Today," has been compared to a lark, and a nightingale, and a golden-throated canary and to all the feathered songsters that have a right to be jealous of her bird like notes. After writing that Frieda Hempel was at her crystalline best in a remarkable performance of "La Traviata" with the Chicago Opera Co. in Milwaukee, Wis., the critic goes on to say:

"Never was her glorious voice more creamy in tone, more glitteringly brilliant in the rapidity of her execution—and the very last note was as lovely as the first, nay, lovelier.

"It is a wonderful thing to be able to sing like that, and Hempel does it with the same lack of effort that a meadow lark does. She never 'attacks' a note but lights upon it with the daintiness of a bit of thistledown. As for gowns and jewels, gorgeous is the word, for she floated through the opera like a rare butterfly."

Hempel will come to the Memorial Auditorium in her famous Jenny Lind concert, Sunday, Jan. 13, at 3.15. Seats will go on sale at Chalifoux's, Wednesday, Jan. 2.

DRESSMAKING CLASSES AT LINCOLN SCHOOL

Any woman, 16 years of age or over, who is interested, is invited to join a dressmaking or millinery class, opening for 1924, on Thursday evening, Jan. 3, in the Abraham Lincoln chool, Schlomford street, opening hour 7 o'clock.

In dressmaking there will be classes both for beginners and for advanced pupils. In millinery any woman can join and learn how to make hats. In these classes, a knowledge of sewing is of advantage, but not absolutely necessary. As a fixed number of lessons is given to the making of each hat or garment, late comers are far behind the class. They are thus handicapped and also deprived of valuable instruction.

It is therefore earnestly requested that all women interested be on hand ready to start Thursday evening. Instruction is free, the only charge to class members being the cost of the material for the hat or garment they make and which they keep on completion of the course.

Ambassador Kellogg on his arrival in London, says he will get acquainted with embassy routine before King George and Queen Mary return from Christmas holidays.

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MATS TO OBSERVE THE NEW YEAR

An open house from 8 to 10 o'clock this evening and an entertainment at midnight will feature the Mathews Temperance Institute celebration of New Year's. Refreshments will be served during the evening and general dancing enjoyed.

A rehearsal for the Follies and Frolics, the show to be staged by the society in the near future, was held yesterday under the direction of Decker Thornton and several new features were incorporated in the show that should prove attractive.

The election of officers will be held Friday evening.

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"Crinoline —AND— Romance"
A scintillating story of love and laughter.
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FIRST PERFORMANCE AT USUAL TIME TONIGHT
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AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK SHARP TONIGHT
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—WILL LAUNCH AN ATTACK—
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RAY and HILLIARD—
BINDER and ROY—LES GHEZZI—
AND BIG SURROUNDING SPECIAL
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DON'T MISS THIS "Tea—With A Kick"

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AFTER THE REGULAR SHOW TONIGHT
Mid-Night Show
WELCOME IN 1924 IN NEW YORK STYLE!
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SMITH AND BAGLEY'S MUSICAL FROLIC
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RICHARD TALMADGE
In 'Let's Go,' Comedy. News
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STRAND—NOW
"THE WANTERS"
A JOHN M. STAHL PRODUCTION
KATHERINE MacDONALD
"THE SCARLET LILY"
CONTINUOUS UNTIL MIDNIGHT TONIGHT

CROWN THEATRE
TODAY and TUESDAY
An O. Henry Story of New York's East Side
"The Sidewalks of N. Y."
With HANNA LEE
The famous child actress, Seven Reels.
Ed. Cobb in Devil's Gorge
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OUR BEST WISHES FOR A HAPPY AND A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.
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GEORGE LARKIN
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Many New Sport Champions Crowned During the Year 1923

BABE RUTH HERO OF YEAR

"Bust" in World Series of 1922 Was Sensation of Baseball in Past Season

Tragedy of Year Was Furnished by Failure of Sisler to Play All Season

BY BILLY EVANS

The major league season of 1923 was featured by many unusual happenings.

The tragedy of the year was furnished by the failure of George Sisler to hold down first base for the St Louis Browns.

Voted the most valuable player in the American league in 1922, Sisler was the outstanding figure in baseball. His club had been beaten by a one-game margin for the pennant. The experts picked the Browns as the best bet for 1923 if Sisler continued his great play.

During the winter months Sisler suffered an eye affliction that failed to respond to treatment. As a result the most valuable player of 1922 was a mere spectator during the 1923 season. The Browns finished in the second division.

The heroics of the year were furnished by Babe Ruth. A fallen idol in 1922, a "bust" in the world series of that year, he was the sensation of the baseball world last season.

Ruth came back with a decided vengeance. He was more than a mere home-run hitter last season. Ruth was a Tris Speaker in the outfield, a Ty Cobb on the bases and a Babe Ruth at the bat. A fairly good combination. No wonder he was voted the most valuable player in the American league for 1923, supplanting George Sisler.

Ruth topped off the greatest season of his career by being the big noise of the world series. As Ruth goes, so go the Yankees has long been an adage in baseball. Ruth failed in the world series of 1921 and 1922 and the Yankees lost. Ruth delivered in 1923 and the Yankees won.

Both New York clubs won their respective league's pennants. The experts figured the Yankees would have a much harder time coming through than the Giants, yet the opposite was true. With the season half over, the Yankees stepped out and distanced their rivals, while the Giants were pressed all the way.

In the two previous world series meetings between the Yankees and the Giants, the American league entry had been a strong favorite and was beaten both times out. In the 1923 event, while the Yankees were still strongly favored, a number of the experts liked the chances of the Giants. This time the Yankees crossed them up by capturing the honors for the American league.

In the matter of batting champions Harry Heilmann of Detroit and Rogers Hornsby of the St. Louis Cardinals sprang the unusual. Left-hand batters usually monopolize championship batting honors, but Heilmann and Hornsby have broken up this rather monotonous routine.

In 1921 Hornsby and Heilmann were the leading major league hitters. It was the first time since 1904 that two right-handed hitters had finished out in front. In the year Larry Lajoie and Hans Wagner showed the way to the left handers. In 1922 Sisler crowded Heilmann out, but this year the Detroit slugger once more brings the right-handed combination of Hornsby and Heilmann to the front.

When Hornsby finished in front last season, it was the fourth consecutive time that he has led the National league in hitting. This ties the National league record. Hans Wagner was the champion in 1906-07-08-09. Wagner also led in 1903-04, but Seymour stepped into the batting honors in 1905. Wagner also showed the way in 1911, but Sherry Magee was best in 1910. If Hornsby can again lead the National league the coming season, he will supplant Wagner's four-straight mark.

In the minors the most striking upset of the year was the winning of the American Association pennant by the Kansas City club. In a thrilling race Kansas City nosed out St Paul, a strong favorite to repeat. Then to show that the winning of the association honors was no fluke, the Blues trounced Baltimore, winner of the International league pennant, in the little world series of baseball.

On the whole baseball enjoyed one of the best seasons in the history of the sport. The attendance throughout the country was such that mighty few leagues found it necessary to suspend play.

SARAZEN BEST TWO-YEAR-OLD

Won Every Start During Year—Record More Impressive Than Man O' War's

Zev Awarded Honors in Three-Year-Old Class—Review of Year on Track

BY BILLY EVANS

What horse is the best three-year-old of the year?

That is almost as difficult a question as deciding the college football championship.

Zev, Harry Sinclair's fast stepper, is entitled to much consideration in rating the turf's best three-year-old, although his claim to the title is not without several blemishes.

When Zev won the Kentucky derby he sprang one of the biggest surprises of the year in the racing game. Just prior to the derby it was rumored that he wouldn't even start. In the betting he paid a fancy price. Going out in front he ran a beautiful race and richly deserved victory.

Then followed a long run of successes in which Zev in various events at different distances clearly proved his superiority over the three-year-old field.

The success of Zev made for international rivalry. England contested the right of Zev to be classed as the greatest three-year-old of the year. Papyrus, the wonder horse, was sent over to dispute Zev's claim.

The race was run under very unfavorable conditions, which worked more to the disadvantage of Papyrus than Zev. The going was very heavy, the track was the proverbial sea of mud as the result of hours of constant rain. The English horse was improperly shod. Unquestionably it played a serious part in the gait of Papyrus. Uncertain footing, largely the result of being improperly shod, caused the English entry to lose much of his speed and the event was more or less of a canter for Zev.

Prior to the selection of Zev to represent the United States in the international event, Admiral Cary Grayson, owner of My Own, another great three-year-old, disputed the right of the Jockey club to name Zev in preference to his horse. It caused all kinds of controversy. Had Zev been beaten by Papyrus, the Jockey club would have been severely criticized. The victory of Zev saved the situation as far as the Jockey club was concerned.

Smoke always produces fire, and constant agitation as to the superiority of Zev and My Own resulted in both horses being entered in the Latonia derby. In this race was also entered In Memoriam, a bit of Kentucky horseflesh.

The betting was all Zev and My Own. In Memoriam was given but slight consideration, the natives of Kentucky being the only ones to believe in the chances of the Blue Grass entry.

The victory of In Memoriam was even more surprising that the triumph of Zev in the Kentucky derby. The strange part of it was that In Memoriam won about as he pleased, finishing well out in front.

More arguments resulted, and a return race was arranged between Zev and In Memoriam at Louisville. This race will go down as one of the greatest events in turfdom. The judges ruled that Zev won. That made it official, but there are a lot of people in Kentucky who still firmly believe that the judges erred.

Zev's victory was not nearly so convincing as that scored by In Memoriam in the first race. Incidentally the turf experts insist that had Jockey Mack Garner taken his horse out in front in the early stages of the race, when In Memoriam was running easy, he could have established such a lead that Zev would have never caught the Weidemann entry.

While Zev's superiority over In Memoriam is still a matter of doubt, his record as a whole for the year is far more convincing than that of In Memoriam, and he is entitled to the three-year-old honors.

There was nothing in the two-year-old class but Sarazen. In every start of the year he won as he pleased. Happy Thoughts, who loomed a logical contender for the two-year-old title, failed to even press Sarazen when the two met in a special race to decide the merits of the two most-talked-about two-year-olds of the year. Prior to meeting Sarazen, Happy Thoughts was undefeated.

Sarazen's record as a two-year-old is even more impressive than that of the great Man o' War and Morvich in the same class. The work of Sarazen as a three-year-old will be watched with the keenest of interest. No horse ever gave greater promise for big things.

NORMAN BROOKES MAY COME TO U. S.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31. Norman E. Brookes, one of the best and most spectacular tennis players in the world, may come to the United States in 1924 if Australia disposes of enough competitors in elimination rounds to reach this far in its quest of the Davis cup. Brookes has written to the United States Lawn Tennis association, announcing his return to competition through a preliminary tour of England and France.

He may be captain of the Australian team and pair himself in the doubles with Pat O'Hara Wood. These two with Gerald Patterson may form the Australian team as neither J. O. Anderson and John B. Hawkes, members of the 1923 squad, is expected to come back next season.

The second entry for the 1924 tournament has been received from France which will compete in the European zone. Ireland was the first country to challenge.

They're Mighty Glad Mr. 1923 Is Gone

TOP, LEFT TO RIGHT: McGRAW, FISHER COCHRAN. BOTTOM, LEFT TO RIGHT: MRS. MALLORY, KILBANE, ROPER, SWEETSER AND PAPYRUS.

Speaking of the champions of 1923, how about the ex-boys and girls? You don't suppose John McGraw, who lost his "master mind" title in the world series, is sorry to see 1923 go, do you? Welker Cochran, who was bumped off by Willie Hoppe in the billiard play-off, certainly isn't. Nor is Molla Mallory, who was dethroned by Helen Wills, the youthful tennis star from the coast. Johnny Kilbane, who held the featherweight title longer than any other champion, fell by the wayside during the year. Jesse Sweetser, the golf champion, also found 1923 a hoodoo year, as did Bill Roper of Princeton and Bob Fisher of Harvard, two "Big Three" coaches who experienced miserable years on the gridirons. The race between Papyrus and Zev for three-year-old honors was a rough voyage for the English horse from every angle. Yes, there was joy for some in 1923, but misery for many others.

Principal Title Holders in Various Branches of Sport

AMERICAN FIGHT CHAMPIONS

Heavyweight—Jack Dempsey. Light heavyweight—Gene Tunney. Middleweight—Harry Greb. Welterweight—Mickey Walker. Lightweight—Benny Leonard. Featherweight—Johnny Dundee. Bantamweight—Joe Lynch. *Flyweight—Frankie Genaro. (*—While Pancho Villa holds the world's flyweight titler, he is not recognized as the American champion.)

AMERICAN GOLF CHAMPIONS

Women's National—Edith Cummings. Men's National Amateur—Max Marston. National Open—Bobby Jones. Professional Match Play—Gene Sarazen. National Intercollegiate—Dexter Cummings. National Public Parks—Richard Walsh.

AMERICAN BASEBALL CHAMPIONS

National League—New York Giants. American League—New York Yankees. World Series—New York Yankees. National Batting Champion—Rogers Hornsby. American Batting Champion—Harry Heilmann.

AMERICAN BILLIARD CHAMPIONS

Professional 18.2—Willie Hoppe. Professional Pocket—Ralph Greenleaf. Three Cushion—John Layton. Junior 18.2—Kato Suganuma. Amateur 18.2—Percy Collins. Amateur 18.1—Francis S. Appleby. Amateur Pocket—Edward W. Reynolds.

AMERICAN FOOTBALL CHAMPIONS

Eastern Honors—Yale and Cornell. Western Conference—Michigan and Illinois. Pacific Coast—University of California.

AMERICAN TURF CHAMPIONS

Leading two-year-old Sarazen. Leading three-year-old—Zev.

AMERICAN TENNIS CHAMPIONS

Davis Cup—Won by United States. World's Turf—W. M. Johnston. World's Clay Court—W. M. Johnston. National Turf William Tilden 2nd. National Turf, Women's—Helen Wills. National indoor—Vincent Richards. National Clay Court—William Tilden 2nd.

INDIAN SECONDS WIN AT BASKETBALL

The Indian Seconds after closing a successful football season have turned their attention to basketball. They defeated the Lowell Indians, managed by "Boxer" Rodgers to the tune of 31 to 16. The game was full of action from the start. The Lowell Indians started off with a crash and scored three baskets before the Seconds found their stride. Firth led the attack with two beauts from the side of the hall and Tom Torpey followed up with three from the middle of floor. Huslander scored just as the period ended. Score first period Lowell Indians 6, Indians Seconds 12.

The second period started with a ringer by Firth, who followed up by getting three made from difficult angles. Rogers then started by getting one, Seeble followed with two from the side of floor. The Indian Second team was working as one. Tom Torpey and Huslander scored one apiece before the period ended. Score—Indian Seconds 24, Lowell Indians 12.

The third period found the Lowell Indians working like beavers. Jim Torpey scored two baskets that brought the fans to their feet. McLaughlin, the Indian Seconds' centre, scored two aided by beautiful passing. Firth came through with two and Tom Torpey ended the game with a shot from the middle of the floor.

The lineup:

INDIAN 2NDS	LOWELL INDIANS
T. Torpey, rf	lf, Seeble
Huslander, rb	lb, Desmarais
McLaughlin, c	c, Iver
V. Firth, lf	rf, J. Torpey
Moran, lb	rb, R. Rogers

Substitutes: Indian Seconds, Barter, Lowell Indians, Grantz, Laflamme, Davidson.

SOCCER SEMI-FINAL AT COATS' FIELD

The national challenge cup committee of the United States Football association has ordered play of the eastern semi-final between Abbot Worsted and Fall River teams at Pawtucket on Jan. 13, on the grounds of the J. & P. Coats' team. There was much [illegible] relative to a place to this [illegible] and both clubs interested were represented. Shawsheen, Quincy, Providence, Fall River and Boston all wanted the game.

The Abbot Worsted club waived the possibility of a large revenue to play the game on neutral ground, in preference to Tiverton stadium.

The [illegible] round draw in the American soccer cup series, to be played on or before Jan. 20, follows:

Fore River vs. Prospect Hill at Quincy.

Abbot Worsted vs. Pacific Mills at Forge Village.

Fall River vs. Sayles Finishing at Fall River.

J. & P. Coats vs. Crompton at Pawtucket.

HOLIDAY BOXING BOUTS

Billy Murphy to Meet Bud Dempsey in Moody Club Main Event Tomorrow

Tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock the Moody club will stage its weekly boxing show in Crescent rink and a fine card has been arranged for the holiday.

In the main and feature event Billy Murphy, local featherweight star, who has created a sensation in pugilistic ranks by winning every bout he has appeared in since entering the game, will face a formidable foe in "Bud" Dempsey of New York who comes here determined to halt the victorious sweep of the local boy.

Dempsey's record is most impressive, and his manager, Eddie Mead, says he is one of the most promising looking youths he has seen break into the game in many years. He came out of the west virtually unknown, but immediately made good in the big town when he jumped in as an eleventh-hour substitute and gave Spencer Gardner a great battle. He has beaten Johnny Curtin, "Pepper" Martin and others of equal class.

Being in the same stable with champion Joe Lynch, Dempsey has had the advantage of good training and Mead avers that "Bud" gives Lynch a great tussle in the gymnasium. Mead and Dempsey are due to arrive in Lowell this evening.

Babe Adams of Lawrence who fought Tommy Fall and Frankie Hebert here recently and Gene Rochon who appeared against Emil Paluso here, will meet in [illegible]. Tommy Leonard of Lowell and Young Mahoney of Boston are listed for one preliminary and Mike McDonough of Lawrence and Johnny Hebert of Lowell are down to perform in the other.

MORE FOREIGN BOXERS TO INVADE U. S.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31. Invasion of America's fistic realm by foreign boxers, after setting a new high mark in 1923, promises to establish another record in the new year.

Prospects for profitable matches in this country have attracted ambitious talent from Europe, and South America, the latter sending two formidable candidates for honors in Luis Angel Firpo, Argentine heavyweight, and Luis Vicentini, Chilean lightweight. Two European champions already are in this country, seeking laurels. A third is due early in January, while others have come in search of ring prominence, despite lack of titles.

Within the last few weeks, two title-holding Britishers have arrived—Roland Todd, European middleweight champion, and Harry Mason, wearer of the European lightweight belt. Todd was defeated by Tommy Loughran, Philadelphia light heavyweight in his debut here, largely because of handicaps in weight, height and reach. Mason has yet to show his fistic wares.

Ermino Spalla of Italy, European heavyweight champion, will join the invading ranks within a fortnight when he arrives to prepare for a match with Gene Tunney, American light heavyweight champion, slated for Feb. 1.

A fourth European champion—Edouard Mascart of France, featherweight titleholder, may come here in the spring to seek a match with Johnny Dundee, the Italian-American who wrested the featherweight laurels last summer from another Frenchman, Eugene Criqui.

Georges Carpentier has another prospective fistic venture in America early in 1924 to [illegible] leading American light heavyweights. Battling Siki, Senegalese conqueror of Georges, already is in this country.

Firpo looms as far as the most dangerous invader. The "Wild bull of the pampas" who knocked Jack Dempsey out of the ring before finally going down to defeat last September at the Polo Grounds, will return to the United States probably in March, to campaign for another title match.

BOXING — Moody Club
BILLY MURPHY of Lowell
—VS.—
"BUD" DEMPSEY of New York
CRESCENT RINK—TUESDAY
AFTERNOON AT 3 O'CLOCK

RING CROWNS SHIFTED IN 1923

For Upheavals and Rapidly Changing Championships 1923 Has Known no Equal

Two Great Fighters, Johnny Kilbane and Jimmy Wilde, Passed Into Oblivion

BY JOE WILLIAMS

For tumultuous upheavals and rapidly changing championships the boxing season of the past year has known no equal. Four or five years back it was a rarity for more than one or two champions to drop by the wayside of decrepitude in the course of a season's milling.

This year no fewer than five championships of consequence changed hands, not considering the tin-plated phoneys invented by the New York Boxing commission.

One of the new champions failed to hold on to his honors long enough to show them off properly before the home folks. That added another unique touch to the year's developments. Usually your champions play the game safely for a year or so, doing the no-decision circuit. This one was different.

Two really great fighters passed into oblivion. Johnny Kilbane, who won the featherweight title from Abe Attell and held it longer than any fighter in the history of the sport, went down to an inglorious knockout at the hands of Eugene Criqui of France.

It marked the first knockout scored by an invading boxer over an American champion in many years. Kilbane was but a faint, shadowy ghost of his former self and toppled over the first time Criqui hit him with a solid punch.

Criqui, in turn, was beaten by Johnny Dundee a short time afterward, and left for his homeland an ex-champion. Dundee richly deserved his honors as featherweight champion. He had been hot on Kilbane's trail for years.

The other great fighter to pass into the shadows was Jimmy Wilde, English flyweight. Wilde came to America and was beaten by Pancho Villa, the Filipino, who thus became the world's flyweight champion. Wilde, in his day, was a magnificent little fighter, a master workman in the ring, a splendid hitter and as game as a pebble.

Battling Siki, celebrated corkpuller from Senegal, did not hold on to his world's light heavyweight laurels very long. Siki went over to Dublin to battle Mike McTigue, a second-rate American fighter, and was beaten in 20 rounds of grotesque fighting. Siki came to America later in the year and was a mark for Kid Norfolk in his first fight on this side of the water. A willingness to swing at all times, and a heart of oak, were his only assets as a fighter.

Johnny Wilson of Boston finally decided to defend his middleweight title and was trimmed by Harry Greb of Pittsburg. Greb later defended the title successfully against Bryan Downey, Clevelander, who had previously scored an unallowed knockout over Wilson.

Thus, the five fighters who lost their titles last year were Wilde, Kilbane, Criqui, Wilson and Siki. Champions who held the titles throughout the year were Joe Lynch, bantamweight; Benny Leonard, lightweight; Mickey Walker, welterweight, and Jack Dempsey, heavyweight.

We suppose, just to keep the record straight, it should be mentioned that Gene Tunney successfully defended his title against Harry Greb as light heavyweight champion of America. And some reference should be made to the fact that Frankie Genaro of New York is accepted as the American flyweight champion, having beaten Villa in a decision fight.

Leonard and Dempsey were the only successful champions who engaged in notable combats. Leonard scored a glorious triumph over Lew Tendler, his nearest rival, and Dempsey whipped Tommy Gibbons on points and Senor Firpo by a knockout, the details of both bouts, we imagine, being still fresh in the readers' memory.

PACIFIC COAST MAID STAR OF TENNIS YEAR

BY JOE WILLIAMS

America's tennis supremacy, universally recognized since 1920, remained unquestioned throughout 1923. For the third year in succession the United States defenders of the International Davis Cup turned back the strongest of the 17 challenging nations with comparative ease. For the third time in four years an American, William M. Johnston, of California, won the world's turf court championship at Wimbledon after taking the world's clay court title in France.

Added prestige came with the overwhelming triumph of the American women's tennis team over the highly rated women players of England in their first international match at Forest Hills. Mrs. Molla Mallory, Miss Helen Wills, Miss Eleanor Goss and Mrs. George W. Wightman, conceded only an outside chance of defeating Miss McKane, Mrs. Beamish, Mrs. Clayton and Mrs. Covell, surprised with a clean sweep of seven matches.

Standing out prominently as one of the features of the season was the sensational victory of 17-year-old Miss Helen Wills of California in the title round of the women's national championship. For the first time in four years on an American court, Mrs. Molla Mallory, six times national champion, was forced to accept defeat. In clinching her triumph the Pacific coast schoolgirl played the sort of tennis that, in the opinion of critics, bids fair to dethrone Mlle. Lenglen of France as world's champion before long.

The year saw an unusually large number of foreign stars on American courts, but only one national championship was carried out of the country, Miss McKane and Mrs. Beamish of England winning the women's doubles.

In another title final, the men's doubles, Brian Norton of South Africa shared the victory with William T. Tilden of Philadelphia, who again proved himself the peer of the world's tennis players.

Tilden won the national singles for the fourth time in succession, having greater tennis than ever before in his brilliant career.

BATTLES FOR GOLF TITLES

Season of 1923 Marked by Closeness of Play Unexampled in History of Sport

Three of Four Major Championships Required Extra Holes to Determine Victors

BY JOE WILLIAMS

The American golf season of 1923 was marked by a closeness of play and bitterness of contest unexampled in the history of the sport. Three of the four major championships required extra holes to determine the ultimate victors, and at least one of the important sectional tournaments demanded additional playing moments.

Another unusual touch was the feat of one major champion repeating his victory of the previous year. In golf nowadays the defending champion rarely ever repeats. Gene Sarazen, stocky Italian professional, contributed a bright page to the annals of the game when he came home in front in the professionals' match play tournament at Pelham Bay, defeating Walter Hagen in the finals at the second extra hole.

Sarazen starred the year with two major titles, the open, which he won at Skokie, and the match play, which he won at Oakmont. He was unable to duplicate his triumph in the open but he made a gallant fight and scored a notable win in the match play.

The open went to Bobby Jones, celebrated Atlanta amateur, who won at Inwood after finishing in a tie with Bobby Cruikshank, mite of a Scotch professional. In the 18-hole pay-off the following day, a play-off that kept the immense gallery in frenzied suspense from opening tee shot to final putt, Jones won.

It was the southerner's first victory in a national tournament. The year before he had finished in a tie with John Black of California for second place in the open, one breathless stroke back of Sarazen. Admirers of Jones felt that his victory in the open would serve to carry him along to a victory in the national amateur later in the season at Flossmoor, but they were doomed to disappointment.

This event went to Max Marston of Philadelphia, a dark horse in the pre-tournament calculations. Marston proved a courageous fighter rather than a golfer of blinding brilliancy and achieved a deserved triumph, winning from Jesse Sweetser, defending champion, in a finals match that went to the thirty-eighth green.

You will note the two professional events, won by Sarazen and Jones, demanded overtime effort, as did the amateur. The women's event, however, was decided without extended effort. It produced a new champion in Edith Cummings of Chicago, and marked the temporary overthrow of Glenna Collett, who had been a sensation the year before.

Miss Cummings drew Alexa Stirling, thrice holder of the title in the finals, and handed her a trimming after being 2 down at lunch time. The new women's champion and her brother, Dexter, intercollegiate champion, form the strongest brother and sister team in America, a team rivaled only by the Wethereds of England.

The most spectacular match developed in a sectional tournament was the meeting between Chick Evans and Jesse Sweetser in the finals of the western amateur. Evans won at the thirty-eighth hole, thereby reversing a victory Sweetser had scored over him in the national finals at Brookline a year ago.

Other notable winners of the year were Miriam Burns, women's western, Jock Hutchinson, western open, Eddie Held, Trans-Mississippi, Richard Walsh, public parks, Ira Couch, national junior, and Perry Adair, southern.

HOPPE AFTER WORLD'S THREE CUSHION TITLE

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Willie Hoppe, world's 18.2 balkline billiard champion announced last night that when he had met the challengers for 18.2 title, Welker Cochran and Jake Schaefer, he would attempt to win the world's three cushion title.

The champion's three cushion challenge will go to the winner of this season's three cushion tournament, for a 300 point match to be played before the end of May.

While an expert at the three cushion game Hoppe has not entered the three cushion competition for years. He was credited with having made a run of 25 three cushion billiards in an exhibition with Charles Peterson of St. Louis on the Pacific coast some years ago.

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HARD TO NAME GRID CHAMPS

Billy Evans, Authority on Sports, Says Picking Best Team Impossible Task

Too Many Good Teams in All Parts of Country to Make a Selection

By BILLY EVANS

Who is the college football champion of the United States?

I pass on that question. It is a more difficult problem than trying to pick an All-America team that will meet with the approval of the country.

In the east Yale and Cornell stood out. Neither suffered a defeat. The schedule as played by Yale was probably a bit tougher than the Cornell dates. However, to rate either team one-two, would be sufficient excuse to start all kinds of argument with possible bloodshed.

In the west Illinois and Michigan finished in a tie for Western conference honor. Both had great teams. Western football enthusiasts will give you the strongest kind of an argument that either team could have beaten Cornell or Yale.

Then there is California and Andy Smith. For four successive years Smith has coached California to Pacific coast honors. That California teams rate with the east and west has been conclusively proven in the meetings that have taken place, California holding the edge.

Five teams, Yale, Cornell, Illinois, Michigan and California have a perfect right to inflate their chests and say we are the best ever. Since there is no way of settling the argument, a draw decision five ways is the only verdict possible.

The football season has been filled with innumerable upsets. No longer is the outcome of any game a certainty under the new rules. The domination of the big colleges is a thing of the past in football. The smaller schools turn out good teams and with the open play and the uncertainty that goes with it, there is always a chance for the under dog.

Several of these decided upsets have kept the championship situation from becoming even more complicated.

Had not Notre Dame been beaten by Nebraska, many of the experts would have given Notre Dame a rating with the five unbeaten teams that have been mentioned. In all probability some of the critics would have gone even top of the football world. The defeat stronger and placed Notre Dame at the of Notre Dame was unexpected since Nebraska had been beaten by Illinois 24 to 7 and tied by both Kansas and Missouri.

If Syracuse had beaten Colgate, supporters of that team would have been setting up a claim for national honors. Colgate, tied by Ohio State, a weak sister in the west, and soundly trounced by Cornell, was looked on as easy picking by Syracuse. The breaks went to Colgate and with them a 16 to 7 victory. Then Syracuse, to prove its real worth, beat Nebraska, the team that defeated Notre Dame.

Until Thanksgiving day, West Virginia was entitled to championship rating. Undefeated, the Mountaineers and Jefferson, a team that had the lost to their hated rivals. Washington week previous been beaten by Pittsburg, which team had lost to West Virginia.

These are just a few of the upsets that kept the football world in constant turmoil and made the 1923 season the most interesting in the history of the game. Little Maryland almost upset Yale's happiness by leading the Blue 14 to 0 at one stage of the game, finally being defeated 16 to 14.

In every section of the country certain players stood out in bold relief. In the west Halfback Grange of Illinois was the sensation of that section. He, more than any other player, put Illinois back on the football map.

In the east Mallory of Yale was an outstanding star. Never a drop kicker or place kicker of prominence, Mallory led the east in this department of play with six goals from the field. Most of them played a prominent part in Yale's success.

Pfann of Cornell and Wilson of Penn State were two other players who were the heroes in practically every game played by their respective teams. On the coast Don Nichols of California was in the same class.

The brand of football played by the colleges during the 1923 season had a distinct appeal, it featured open play, so much favored by lovers of the game. As a result all attendance records were broken in every section of the country.

NEW HIGH RUN RECORD SET IN BILLIARDS

BY BILLY EVANS

With the national amateur association widening its scope and greatly increasing its tournament activity, and with the professional players engaging in more championship matches than heretofore, billiards can truly be said to have enjoyed an exceptional year in 1923. Larger entries and larger galleries gave evidence of the growing interest in championship events.

Only two records fell during the season, John A. Clinton, J., of Pittsburgh establishing a new high run of 154 and a new high average of 37 4-8 in the national championship, but in other prominent tournaments, play was of high calibre and records were frequently threatened seriously.

The year saw Willie Hoppe, king of balkline players for more than a decade and a half, regain the professional 18.2 title he had lost to Jacob Schaefer of Chicago the previous season. The year also saw Hoppe play in defense of the title against a strong field and finish in a tie with youthful Welker Cochran of Los Angeles, who astonished with a display of balkline that surpassed that of any other contender for consistency and brilliance.

Wille Hoppe retained his championship in 18.2 balkline billiards by defeating Welker Cochran young star from the coast, in a play-off of 1500 points at Chicago. Hoppe ran up a commanding lead during the first two blocks of 500 and won without extended effor. The final score was Hoppe, 1500, Cohran, 1161.

Ralph Greenleaf, professional champion of pocket billiards for five years, defended his title successfully on several occasions and proved far superior to his challengers. The three-cushion title went to John Layton of Missouri and the junior 18.2 title to a Japanese protege of Hoppe's, Kato Suguruma.

In the Amateur field Edgar T. Appleby of New York had to yield his national Class A 18.2 title to Percy Collins of Chicago, but retained his international title for which no tournament was held. Edgar Appleby's brother, Frank S., brought another title into the family by winning the first national championship.

Edward W. Reynolds of New York proved best of the amateurs at pocket billiards, and Albert M. Lord of Chicago best at the cushion carom.

TOM SIMS SAYS

We propose the following resolutions be adopted by the bored.

Whereas, New Year day has a blame fool habit of coming around only once a year.

And whereas, the man who said the good die young really was talking about good resolutions.

Also whereas, it is the same old bunch of good resolutions that die young every year.

Another whereas, breaking resolutions weakens the will power and won't power of everybody.

Fourth whereas, breaking resolutions destroys a man's self-respect and his reputation

Last whereas, the same old set of resolutions have been made over until they are worn out.

Therefore be it resolved by the bored, that old resolutions will not be dug up this year.

Further resolved, that in place of resolutions we try to do the best we can during 1924

And further resolved, that it will be impossible for us to do any better than the best we can.

Still further resolved, that doing the best we can gives more scope than any set of resolutions.

And justly resolved, that the only resolution we will resolve is not to make any resolutions.

We set our hand this date and sit to think it over.

HELD FOR PASSING WORTHLESS CHECKS

LAWRENCE, Dec. 31. Lenwood Hodge, a native of Amesbury, wanted in Boston, Lynn, Portland, Me., and other cities in New England for passing worthless checks, was held for the grand jury this morning in district court here by Judge Mahoney for larceny by check and larceny of a diamond ring. Bail was fixed at $500 and $500, respectively. Hodge, according to local police gave a check to the Lawrence Hat Co., for $2.05 in payment for a hat, and a few weeks ago, he entered the jewelry store of Alex Abuhyat on Hampshire street, and ran out with a diamond ring valued at $110. He admitted the check charge, but denied stealing the ring.

Hodge for several weeks has represented himself as an agent for an automobile company in this city and posed as a Pinkerton detective.

BOWLING

In the Lawrence Manufacturing Bowling league the shirt fold department heads the standing with 19 wins and 3 losses. Swindler's average of 97.2 is best in the individual scoring. The standing and averages:

Team	Won	Lost	Pinfall
Shirt Fold	19	3	17,585
Shirt Finish	32	20	15,529
Dye Hous	20	22	17,681
Shirt Fold No. 2	16	26	15,583
Shop	13	25	7,990
Independents	12	26	11,015

High team single, 513, Shirt Fold; second, 509, Shirt Fold No. 2; third, 506, Dye House.

High team three string, 1487, Shirt Fold; second, 1427, Shirt Fold No. 2; third, 1407, Dye House.

High individual single, 131, Vezina, Shirt Fold, second, 126, Dow, Dye House; Boldue, Shirt Fold No. 2; third, 123, Dow, Dye House.

High individual three string, 320, Dow, Dye House; second, 315, Vezina, Shirt Fold; third, 314, Nault, Shirt Fold.

Averages: Swindlers 97.2, Vezina 96.11, Taylor 95.2, Dow 94.28, Clay 93.33, Benoit 92.29, Nault 92.1, Lossier 91.21, Sherburne 91.13, W Rondeau 91.7, Davidson 91.1, Estabrook 90.23, Riley 90.9, Olson 90.8, Baribeault 90.4, H. Gagnon 89.25, F. Nicholas 89.20, Green 89.5, Kane 89.0, Holt 88.28, Senior 88.12, Spriggs 87.21, Carpenter 87.15, Boldue 87.12, Vance 87.12, Bigelow 87.5, Lippe 87.3, A. Gagnon 87.0, Loranger 87.0, Maille 86.11, Holds 85.28, Levy 85.8, Beauchesne 84.2, Thomas 83.1, E. Rondeau 81.15, Ayotte 80.3, Masson 78.2, Hadley 75.4, C. Nichols 75.2.

MASS. COTTON MILLS LEAGUE STANDING

	Won	Lost	Pinfall
Yard	37	15	18,003
Shop	35	17	17,709
Cloth	30	22	17,649
Spinning	21	21	16,240
Dress	21	28	17,600
Card	18	30	15,922
Weave	18	34	17,352
Dye House	18	34	17,318

Averages: Lebourdais 95.20, Silva 96.22, Guiney 95.16, Higgs 95.10, S. Williams 94.26, Nadeau 94.20, Petry 94.15, Hannaford 94.10, Hurst 93.8, Callahan 93.6, Dennett 93.4, Eldridge 93.1, Harding 93, Piers 92.26, Lyons 92.13, Heald 92.9, M. Williams 92.3, Cudworth 92.2, Beaupre 91.31, Michaud 91.19, Dostron 91.7, Allen 90.27, St. John 90.20, Brennan 90.20, Slipp 90.16, Boyle 90.9, Sloan 90.9, Zimmy 90.6, McKearney 90.5, Brown 90.4, Andreoli 89.9, Betencourt 88.18, Robarge 88.9, Martin 88.1, Gardner 88, Brady 87.26, McAleer 87.25, Foster 87.16, Desmarais 87.9, Booth 85.25, Swanson 85.17, Duffy 85.13, Nickerson 85.1, Shields 84.15, McKara 84.1, M Higgs 83.24, Letterall 83.2.

STREBLING VS. ROSENBERG

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Young Stribling, the youthful Georgia aspirant for the world's light heavyweight boxing title, today put the finishing touches on his training for his 12-round-no decision match at Newark tomorrow with Dave Rosenberg of New York.

LEEVER TO TRY FOR OLYMPIC

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 31. Harold E. (Booty) Leever, captain of the 1922 University of Pennsylvania track team and who holds the intercollegiate 100-yard championship and a number of other titles, announced today that he would try to make the American Olympic team. He will take part in meets in New York, Newark, Boston, Baltimore, Washington, Buffalo, Louisville and other cities, during the winter.

AMATEUR ATHLETICS DISCUSSED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—The second annual convention of the National Amateur Athletic federation began sessions here today with discussion of steps for promoting a nation-wide campaign for participation in various forms of athletics. The use of magazines and newspapers for dissemination of educational publicity was one means considered.

Applications for membership from various, athletic societies were presented and several proposed changes in the federation's for mof government were taken up.

READY FOR NEW YEAR'S FOOTBALL GAME

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 31.—The University of Washington football squad, consisting of 29 players, with several officials and coaches, arrived here today for the gridiron game tomorrow with the Navy eleven at the Rose Bowl.

Coach Bagshaw planned a light workout in the afternoon on the Rose Bowl turf, and then rest until game time.

The Huskies are said to be imbued with confidence and point out that the Navy is rated as the eleventh strongest team in the east, while the Huskies' rating in the west is second.

It is believed that Washington will not rely on an aerial game, but rather on line plunging. Ziel, Tesreau and Wilson are expected to play an important part in this department.

Ziel is said to be also a dangerous kicker inside the 45 yard line.

AFGHAN TROUBLE HALTS VICEROY'S TOUR

RANGOON, British India, Dec. 31.—The viceroy has curtailed his tour of Burma and is returning to Delhi, because of the Afghan trouble.

There is an increasing tenseness because of the raids over the northwestern frontier. Mohammet Ali, president of the India national congress, denies the possibility of an Afghan invasion, saying that "the Kabul Pony cannot swallow the Indian elephant."

Recent despatches from London have reported the murders of British officers and women along the northwestern frontier of India by Afghan tribesmen. As a result of these crimes, it was said, relations with Afghanistan were strained, and British officials in London askerted that unless a satisfactory settlement was reached the government's minister in Kabul could be withdrawn. The Afghan government, it was added, had taken steps to co-operate with Indian troops in running down with the murderers.

PROF. HEDGES ENDORSES CONG. ROGERS' BILL

BOSTON, Dec. 31.—Legislation prepared by Representative Rogers of Lowell, Mass., proposing certain state department reforms was characterized last night by Professor Charles Hedges of New York university, president of Delta Phi Upsilon, as "the biggest forward step in diplomatic reform since President Roosevelt's administration."

Professor Hedges spoke at the banquet which concluded the annual convention of the five chapters which comprise the nation's pioneer foreign service fraternity. Representative Rogers' bill, he said, was close to the ideals of fraternity, because "it makes possible a diplomatic career based on individual merit instead of wealth.

"WILD WEST" MANAGER SHOT AND KILLED

MONTREAL, Dec. 31.—Thomas Tresler of Montreal, manager of a "Wild West" show, was accidently shot and killed last night by Francis Dorham, a member of the troupe, during a burlesque marksmanship act at the Princess theatre, Farnham, Que. Tresler was behind a drop curtain when a bullet from Dorham's pistol struck him in the head.

FINAL SETTLEMENT OF $200,000 CLAIM

BOSTON, Dec. 31.—Final settlement of a claim for $200,000 from the state filed with the last legislature by Holbrook, Cabot & Collins, Boston contractors, for work in connection with the construction of the South Boston dry-dock, was made today. A special legislative commission, sitting as a court from which there was no appeal, decreed that the state should pay the contractors $17,788.

CRUDE OIL GOES UP

PITTSBURGH. Dec. 31.—Fifteen cents was added to the price of six grades of crude oil when the market opened here today. Five grades were unchanged.

Church War is Renewed

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caused a clash with Bishop Manning, declared the Christmas peace was over as far as he was concerned and expressed the hope that the controversy would be neither "too much narrowed" nor "hushed up by secret conference."

Dr. Grant's criticism of the "autocratic power of the bishops" was met by a diametrically opposed view expressed by Rev. Dr. Joseph G. H. Barry, rector of the Church of St. Mary the Virgin, who called upon the bishops to discipline the modernist clergymen and asserted that Cain was the first modernist. Emphasis was given Dr. Barry's statement by the presence in his church of Bishop William Walter Webb of Milwaukee, a leading conservative.

Another in the ranks of the group which threw down the gauntlet anew was Dr. William Norman Guthrie, rector of the church of St. Mark's-In-The-Bouwerie, who recently conferred with Bishop Manning about symbolic dances in his church.

"In my 30 years in the ministry I have never spoken this way before" said Dr. Guthrie, "but I am not going to let my brother get into trouble without going with him, and a good many of us are going to get into trouble."

He declared that death by boredom would be the fate of the Christian religion if so-called "paganism" were not used to revivify it and keep it apace with human progress.

The Rev. Charles Francis Potter, of the West Side Unitarian church, predicted that the "old era of hell and the devil and the cowardly evasion of truth will rapidly pass away and be supplanted by a newer and greater religion."

Rev. Dr. John Roach Straton, who recently technically lost in a debate with the Rev. Mr. Potter on the infallibility of the Bible, prophesied that anarchy would result if the Bible is torn to pieces.

"The trouble with modernists, he said, "is that they know more about the books of skeptical criticism of the Bible than they know about the Bible itself."

Dr. Guthrie referred in his sermon to the story of Jesus as "the Christ even saying he was interested in the story as a historian, but not as a minister.

DIVING OPERATIONS IN SEARCH OF DIXMUDE

PARIS, Dec. 31. (By the Associated Press.)—As soon as the gale off the coast of Sicily abates, the French authorities will institute diving operations around the spot where the body of Lieut. Grenadan was found last week in an effort to determine whether the dirigible Dixmude with her 50 officers and men went down in that vicinity.

Except for this search, the Dixmude has entered the realm of determination of responsibility for the loss of the airship, beginning with the appointment of a naval commission of investigation headed by Capt. De Laborde. This commission will begin its sittings on Jan. 2 at Toulon.

At the ministry of marine today it was explained that the investigating committee will not constitute a court-martial, but was the usual commission named after a ship had been lost at sea to determine the immediate responsibilities of her captain and decide whether he should be retained in command. In this instance, owing to the death of Lieut. Grenadan, the question is one of clearing his memory from blame or ruling that he was responsible for the tragedy.

The commission will go no farther in its investigation than the ship's officers and crew, but should its findings completely exonerate them and decide that Lieut. Grenadan and his men did everything possible to save the ship and deserve not censure but praise, then certain interpellations will be made when the charmber of deputies reconvenes.

BILLS PROVIDING FOR NEW COURT HOUSE

The two bills already formulated for the purpose of the establishment of a new district court building in Lowell, one filed by Rep. Thomas J. Corbett and the other sponsored by the county commissioners and filed by Rep. Victor F. Jewett, will be referred at once to the committee on counties, it was learned today.

The Corbett bill calls for the expenditure of not more than $400,000 for a new building on or near the present site in Market street, while the bill sponsored by the commission entails an expenditure of $125,000 for a building on one end of the county court house lot in Gorham street.

Although the Lowell Bar association has taken no formal vote upon either proposal, it is understood there is a strong sentiment against the removal of the court to the Gorham street neighborhood.

PICK-UP RADIO CONCERT

CAPE TOWN, South Africa, Dec. 31.—A radio concert broadcast from a London station was heard for more than two hours Saturday night at Middleburg, Cape Province.

Named on Committees

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of the committee on rules, better known as the speaker's cabinet. In the absence of the speaker from any session the Lowell representative holds the reins over the house.

Rep. Thomas J. Corbett will serve with the committee on public institutions and the committee on payrolls.

Rep. Owen E. Brennen will serve with the committte on house elections and banks and banking.

Rep. Charles H. Slowey's assignments are to the committee on election laws and the committee on municipal finance.

The house will convene on Wednesday at 11 a. m. and at 12, noon, Governor Channing H. Cox will address a joint session of the house and senate and give his recommendations for 1924.

Up until 5 o'clock last Saturday afternoon 273 bills had been filed for presentation to the house and 40 for presentation to the senate. The time limit for filing new legislation expires on the second Saturday in January at 5 p. m.

As chairman of the committee on public service and as a member of the committee on joint judiciary and the committee on public judiciary and the Frank H. Putnam will be most active in the affairs of the senate. Senator Charles Howard of Reading, whose district also takes in a small slice of Lowell, will serve as chairman of the committee on state administration and also will be a member of the committees on legal affairs and constitutional amendments.

Rep. Henry Achin, Jr., will serve with Rep. Jewett on the rules committee and will be chairman of the committee on public safety.

Rep. Fred O. Lewis has been assigned to the committees on state house and public health.

POP CONCERT AND DANCE AT AUDITORIUM

The biggest social event seen locally for many easons will be held on Wednesday evening at the Memorial Auditorium when a pop concert and dance will be given under the auspices of the Notre Dame association. A fine concert will be given preceding the general dancing, by members of the Boston Symphony players who will also furnish music for dancing which will be in progress until 1 a. m. Vocal and instrumental selections will also be given by two popular out-of-town musicians. Members of the senior classes of the Academy of Notre Dame will act as waitresses and ushers.

RADFORD COMMITTED FOR OBSERVATION

SALEM, Dec. 31—Judge Robert W. Hill at district court this morning, committed Frank C. Radford of Danvers to the Danvers insane asylum, for observation for a period of 35 days. Radford was arrested in Beverly Saturday, after a revolver fight in the shopping district with the proprietor of a jewelry store, where he had stolen a $200 diamond ring and fled. Radford lived in Salem until two years ago, and bore an excellent reputation. His friends feel that he is mentally unbalanced over the failure of his poultry farm which he started two years ago. His case was continued in court until February 7, under bonds of $2500.

CHIN STRAPS

Chin straps are worn with some of the newest and closest cloche hats.

ORDER RESTORED AT SCENE OF RACE RIOT

FORT SMITH, Ark., Dec. 31—Quiet prevailed today in the Catcher community, 20 miles from here, where a race riot late yesterday resulted in the serious wounding of one negro and the arrest of 11 others, as an aftermath of the killing last Friday of Mrs. Robert Latimer.

Ten of the negroes arrested are in jail at Van Buren on charges of night riding. The eleventh prisoner was charged with having held up a party of white men with a pistol.

The two negroes, Spurgeon Ruck and William Bettis, charged with killing Mrs. Latimer, were in jail at Little Rock.

The riot followed mob demonstrations at the jails here and at Van Buren Saturday when several hundred men attempted to lynch Ruck and Bettis.

KNOXVILLE, TENN. BOOMS McADOO

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 31. This city, where is located the University of Tennessee, in which William Gibbs McAdoo received his B. A. degree and started his law studies, and where his father was a professor for many years, is getting behind the movement for his choice as the democratic nominee for president.

The "William Gibbs McAdoo Old Home Town club" will be organized Thursday night. More than 1000 men and women already have signed cards pledging themselves to join the club. At the mass meeting delegates for the state McAdoo meeting in Nashville, Jan. 8, will be chosen.

ISSUES WARNING TO DISABLED VETERANS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31—Failure to make sure that their individual folders are in the central office of the veterans' bureau, has brought hardship upon many disabled men who have come to Washington recently in the hope of pressing their claims for compensation.

The disabled American veterans in a statement issued today warning disabled former service men not to make the trip to Washington unless they know "the utterly necessary folder is already here" declared that many claimants arrive "with funds to last them a few days," but find they must remain "until their papers are asked for and received from the districts" and become destitute in the time required for the folders to reach the bureau.

DIVORCE FOR WIFE OF FATTY ARBUCKLE

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 31.—Minta E. Arbuckle, wife of Roscoe (Fatty) E. Arbuckle, was granted a divorce in the superior court here today. The case was heard before Justice Chester W. Barrows on deposition and was granted on the grounds of neglect to provide and desertion. The divorce will become absolute six months from today.

FOUND DEAD IN APARTMENT

TORONTO, Dec. 31.—George C. Jones, general manager of the Canadian National Telegraphs, was found dead today in his apartment at the National club.

WELL KNOWN LOWELL CITIZENS WHO DIED DURING YEAR

The year which draws to a close today has been marked, as always, by the loss through death of many persons prominent in the life of the city. Familiar faces in all walks of life have disappeared in response to the Grim Reaper's call and it seems fitting at this time that our retrospect include thoughts for those who have gone.

Following is a list of the better known men and women who have died since January 1.

January—Milo H. Dudley, William L. Dickey, Patrick Halpin, Asher E. Beardsley, Sarah Cutler Whittier, Rev. James M. Craig, Mrs. Mary Vining, Mrs. Isabelle N. Deane Patrick Crowe, Daniel J. McCarthy Hon. George E. Putnam, George E. Bicknell, Mrs. Hannah Romain, Henry Smith Mrs. Daisy F. Cluer Stevens, Charles E. Gee, Horace W. Clement, Hugh Ferguson, Patrick J. Hammersley, James Murray, Arthur Boisvert, Mrs. Katherine Slattery.

February—Mrs. Marion C. Barton, Daniel P. Knowlton, Mrs. Maria L. Fish, Samuel Mctord, Henry L. Newhall, John Hickson, William Shore, Mrs. Julia D. Russell, Mrs. Alice E. Willman, Mrs Ella D. Hall, Mrs. Elizabeth H. Foye, Richard Cuff, Henry C. Hutchinson, Gleuele G. Gott, Albert Monroe Moore, James F. McGinness, Erastus A. Bartlett, Col. Percy Parker, Michael J. Cahill, Mrs. Isabel Evelyn Calan, Rev. John M. McHory, O.M.I., Charles D. Pearson, George Flint, Mrs. Elizabeth Doyle Jewett, Mrs. Sabina Dowd Foley.

March—Michael J. Monahan, Thomas H. Nelson, Mrs. Emma Gilbert, Mrs. Elizabeth Ann Barker, Mrs. Margaret E. Dow, George B. Graves, Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, Henry Boyd, Mrs. Janet Harvey Lyman, C. H. Robbins, Hugh Creamer, Mrs. Emma Baker, William Tait Simpson, Mrs. Eliza Bell, Mrs. Julia G. Ray, William Ogden, Thomas Willetts, David Rheali, Girard P. Dadman, Albert M. Gray, Andrew Livingston, Walter W. Smith, James H. McDermott, Mrs. Louisa Robinson, Mrs. Adelaide Shepard Abbott.

April—Wallace Drew, Thomas Bartlett, Della Nolte, Harry P. Knapp, Mark Harry Sawyer, Rev. Robert M. Barrett, O.M.I., Miss Agnes P. Horan, Miss Persis A. Holmes, Charles T. Nelld, Mrs. Lucinda B. Metcalf, Joseph H. Corliss, Mrs. Alice Dean French, William J. Patten, James B. Gilman, Oliver C. Bisson, Frank W. Cheney, Mrs Ellen Flanagan Crowe, Wilton B. Brown.

May—Dr. Thomas B. Smith, Fred M. Randlett, Thomas Jennings, Mrs. Sarah A. Wicks, Miss Jennie Stott, Clarence S. Trask, Miss Nancy M. Merrill, Dr. Joseph D. Delisle, Mrs. Sarah C. Johnston, Walter W. Smith, James H. McEnery F. Gordon, Mary A. Cady, Mrs. Maria Jane Aham, Joseph T. Jodoin, Charles T. Phelps, Mrs. Margaret J. Crosby, John J. Sullivan, William E. Horgan, William T. S. Bartlett.

June—Mrs. Dorothy Webster Overlock, Rev. Joseph E. Kennedy, Mrs. Anna J. Donehue, John E. Ryder, Mrs. Joseph D. Marin, George Charles, I. Warren Bisbee, Francis E. Cronin, Miss S. Frances Parsons, Arthur P. Knapp, James E. Spencer, Frederick G. Palmer, Asa J. Richardson.

July—Richard Hoyle, Garrett G. Royal, Edwin H. Cooke, Harry Stocks, Miss Jane Cleworth, Mrs. Wilhelmina A. Pihl, James W. McKenna, Mrs. Mary A. Doherty, James W. Cooper, James F. McKissock, Francis E. Butler, Mrs. Mary Virginia Roarke, Edward F. Martin, Miss Elizabeth Booth, Mrs. Fleta Shay.

August—Mrs. Hannah A. Glover, Charles A. Richardson, Reuben Salls, Lucius F. Paulin, Jason Whitman Crosby, Mrs. Catherine Benoit, Mrs. Fidelia T. King, William H. Baker, Kirk Manahan, Dr. James P. McAdams, Mrs. Margaret Calnan.

September—Mrs. Charlotte Morrison, Mrs. Emma S. Claus David, Mrs. Evan J. David, Emery F. Blodgett, Mrs. Genevieve M. Cronin, John J. Kelly, Mrs. Esther E. Whitman, Artemas B. Woodworth, Fred Horne.

October—Albion Sweatt, Patrick Conway, Albert Jesse Trull, Mrs. Clara C. Trull, Ezra A. Chase, Mrs. Jennie A. Haines, Benjamin J. Begin, Rev. Joseph P. Kennedy, Mrs. Elizabeth Fuller, Mrs. Charlotte F. Ward, Miss Mary J. Martin, James Johnson, Stephen Thurston Wyman, Lawrence J. Pillsbury, Mrs. Mary McKinnon, Daniel A. Swan, Capt. Edwin Bartlett.

November—Jeremiah Carkill, Mrs. Ann Isherwood, Charles H. Huse, Frank P. Stuart, Edwin J. Hill, Rev. J. Caleb F. Fisher, D. D., Mrs. Etta M. Stocks, Edward E. Sargent, Charles P. Hopkins, George H. Taylor, Walter Jewett, Mrs. Elizabeth H. Lane.

December—Mrs. Emily Alice Cornock, Mrs. Grace Amelia Sherwood, Mrs. Bridget Varley, Sarah Elizabeth Hovey, Mrs. Elizabeth Churchill; at Boston, Frank E. Jewett; Thomas Stott, Mrs. Margaret Manley Farley, Cornelius Meturn, James A. Thompson, Mrs. Jennie Bailey, Annie Doherty, Michael McCarthy.

FREEZING WEATHER

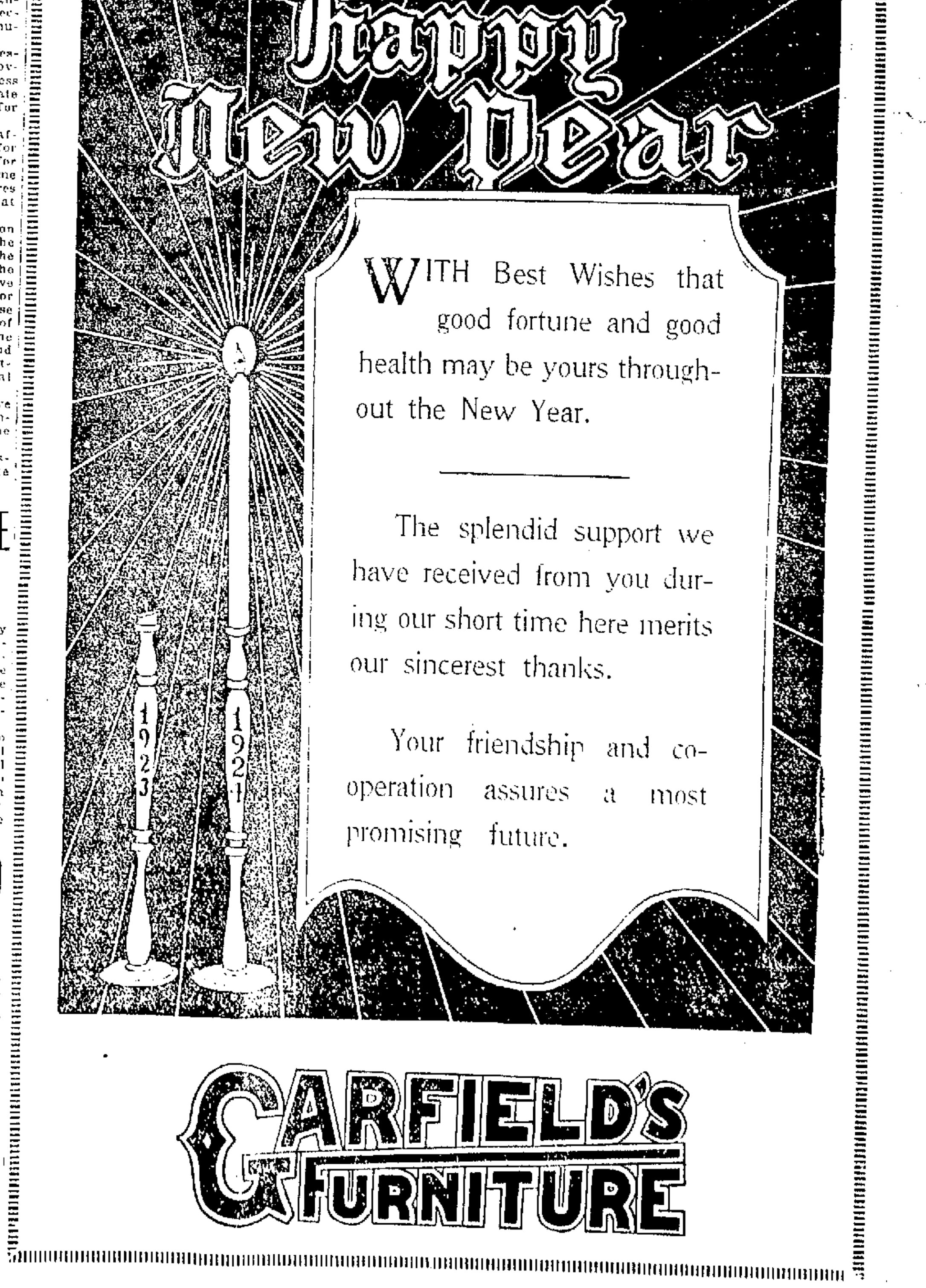
Lowering Temperatures Symbolized Waning of Old Year in Northwest

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 31.—Lowering temperatures symbolized the waning of the old year throughout the Pacific northwest today, freezing weather being reported from nearly all points, and zero or below from points east of the Cascade mountains.

A Puget Sound steamer was torn from her moorings near Seattle and piled on the rocks at Meadow Point, a wreck, while a stiff wind was reported blowing down from western Canada and Alaska with further chill promised.

From the Cascades to the Rockies snow fell. Lowest temperatures were reported from Montana, though spreading into Wyoming, Colorado and western Nebraska. Mercury at 25 degrees below zero or lower, was reported at Helena, Havre, Georgetown, Butte and Great Falls, Mont. Rock Springs, Wyo., reported an average of 40 degrees below.

Wyoming sheep and cattle raisers are reported to have suffered heavy losses.



NEW MONSTER GUN

14-Inch Weapon Hurls 1560-Pound Projectile a Distance of 23 Miles

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31. Army ordnance experts have developed what they believe to be the heaviest and most powerful gun of its type in the world.

The new weapon is of the 14-inch 50 calibre type and is a post-war development. It is capable of hurling an armor piercing projectile of 1560 pounds for a distance of 23 miles, and can be mounted on wheeled carriages.

An electrical apparatus is provided to lower the gun into position for passage through railroad tunnels and elevating it to firing position. The total weight of gun and carriage is 700,000 pounds.

One feature of the monster weapon is its ability to fire either from its carriage upon the tracks or when rolled to a concrete emplacement. For this purpose wheeled supports are provided which can be removed within 30 minutes.

Because of the great weight of the gun, war department officials believe that some railroad bridges may be not sufficiently strong to carry it across, and department officials have opened communication with railroad companies in an effort to have stronger bridges built in the future.

SAY LEONARD WOOD, JR. SOLD NAME TO FRAUDS

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—Four oil companies in which Leonard Wood, Jr., was an officer and each of which is alleged to have taken a heavy toll from ex service men and then "gone out of business," were under investigation yesterday by Assistant State's Attorneys Milton D. Smith and Berthold Cronson.

Ask Postal Inquiry

At the close of the day's inquiry, during which one ex-service man laid literally a bushel basketful of evidence including some fancy, yellow-backed stock certificates in several companies on Assistant State's Attorney Smith's desk, the prosecutor announced that regardless of state action against General Wood's son, the post-office inspectors will be asked to go into his activities.

William F. Pahl, 1132 Potomac avenue, who was battalion supply sergeant with the 33rd Engineers in France, was the man who brought in the large bale of evidence.

Ad in Stars and Stripes

It included many letters and telegrams urging the purchase of stock, advertisements in oil papers and literature alleged to have been written by Leonard Wood, Jr.

"They got $550 of the pay I earned in France and saved," said Pahl. "I went into it because of the connection of Leonard Wood, Jr., with it. I figured it must be right if he were in it. Also the ads I read in Stars and Stripes, the official publication of the A.E.F., inspired my confidence."

Among the companies with which the general's son is now known to have been connected are the Craven Oil and Refining Co., the Mexia-Bonded Oil Syndicate, and the Brook-Brazos Oil Syndicate, all these had their offices, according to the literature, in the same suite, 722 Neil P. Anderson building, Forth Worth, Tex.

Capitalized His Name

Later young Wood became president of the Acme Production Corporation. A post office and war department investigation of this company has been demanded in Washington, where Senator Caraway, democrat, of Arkansas, said he had information that its stock has been sold to ex-service men and that the company had then, like the others, failed.

CLUE TO MURDERER OF AGED WOMAN

HARTFORD, Conn., Dec. 31. The theft of a tin box of buttons is the belief that it was a box of money, the police declare, is one of the strongest clues to the identity of the murderer of Mrs. Mary Mousell, 7[illegible] years old, of Forbes street. [illegible] John P. Cook, 35, of Silver Lane, [illegible], is being sought [illegible] tion with the [illegible] tons was found by the police in a [illegible] in Cook's room and several [illegible] aluminum knuckles, which the police say, may have been used in the assault on the aged woman.

Cook has been missing from his home in East Hartford since early Wednesday morning and though his home is being constantly watched, he has failed to return.

CHIMNEY FELL, TWO FIREMEN INJURED

SPRINGFIELD, Dec. 31. Two [illegible] men were injured [illegible] by the collapse of [illegible] that destroyed [illegible] owned and occupied [illegible] Mrs. Herrick [illegible] of the adjoining town of Agawam. The [illegible] the blaze [illegible]. The loss will reach $10,000.

COMMUNISTS GROUPS IN EVERY FACTORY

[illegible]

BANKER DROPS DEAD

NEW YORK, Dec. 31. [illegible] Bell, 74, formerly a vice president of the National [illegible] bank of the city, dropped dead today in a subway train.

MARITIME MOONSHINERS OFF SANDY HOOK

NEWARK, N. J., Dec. 31. Maritime moonshiners who manufacture their "imported" liquor aboard their ships on Rum Row, dilute their whiskey half and half and then seal the bottles with counterfeit labels and lead seals are working off Sandy Hook for the New Year's liquor trade, according to a copyrighted story appearing today in the Newark Star-Eagle.

"They exist right off the Jersey coast," says a staff correspondent. "I know, because I have seen their stills in operation, have watched the manufacture of white mule and the printing of labels and tinfoil caps to which even wary drinkers would point with pride, remarking 'Have another drink. Safe? Sure, this stuff is imported.'"

The correspondent who visited two of the twenty rum shops which we estimated were off the coast, was carried aboard them on a high power speed boat and spent a night observing the operations aboard the two boats and in conversing with their captains. This question as to whether there was any good liquor being carried ashore one captain answered:

"Any good liquor? Son, I will stake my ship and all that goes with it, that there isn't a pint of quent whiskey in the country outside of what people had before prohibition. And gin? No real gin at all. Everybody can make it too cheap."

Cutting whiskey, the correspondent found, consisted in emptying the bottles of genuine liquor into tubes, adding alcohol then an equal amount of water and then refilling the bottles, putting on fake seals and returning them to their cases.

LABOR UNIONS WILL NOT CHANGE QUARTERS

All labor organizations now occupying the building at 233 Central street will continue to use quarters there during the coming year, it was announced today. Numerous organizations affiliated with the Trades and Labor council and the United Textile Workers of America, have so decided officially.

Rental prices are to be advanced in all meeting quarters, however, but the rather impressive advances scheduled to go into effect on Jan. 1 have been slashed in half as a result of labor union protests. The original new rate now lowered was considered beyond the means of the workers to pay easily.

In the case of the United Textile workers, occupying two floors in "labor hall" so-called, the new rental adjustments are entirely satisfactory for the present to officers and members, with a reduction made by the building owner that suited the protesting workingmen.

TAKEN IN RAID AT SAMOSET CLUB

Fourteen men present at gaming in the Samoset club, 103 Central street, Saturday night, paid $5 fines when arraigned before Judge Pickman in district court this morning. The place was raided by Sergt. Winn and other members of the vice squad.

The defendants were Thomas J. Allen, Frank Rivers, Andrew Parre, John Murk, William Gilloughby, Harry Lowe, David C. Cronan, Robert Riley, Martin Thyne, Ovide Houle, Napoleon J. Cardinal, Mark Keefe, David Hoban and Mohammed Hammed.

A crap game and a game of banker and broker was in progress when the police knocked down a barred door and made their entry.

DROP IN MILK BUT NOT IN PRICE

A one-man car operated by Bertrand W. Dyson of 64 Hadley street ran into the milk wagon of Felix Wroblewski of 16 Hampshire street at 6.30 o'clock this morning. The horse hauling the wagon ran away but was captured before serious damage resulted. Considerable milk was spilled along Beebe street, Dracut, where the crash occurred.

SECOND DEATH IN AUTO ACCIDENT

LYNN, Dec. 31.—Mrs. Lillian Marsh Lawrence of Cliftondale died at the Lynn hospital today as a result of injuries sustained when an automobile [illegible] trolley pole near the Fox Hill bridge, [illegible] night. Mrs. Lawrence was [illegible] of Edward Underson, driver of the car, who was killed in the accident.

COMMITTED SUICIDE

NORTHAMPTON, Dec. 31. Russell Rudd, employed at the Premier Bakery, committed suicide during the night [illegible]

AMERICAN SHIP ASHORE

LONDON, Dec. 31. A Lloyd's despatch from [illegible], Holland, says the American steamer [illegible] West [illegible], loaded [illegible]

Got to Watch Your Step

Continued

[illegible]

When [illegible] today were [illegible] during the [illegible] of the old year. Snow in the morning, then sleet, then rain, later a mixture of all three and a lot of drizzling as the day advanced were the [illegible] features of today's continued storm.

OUR BOARDING HOUSE

STOCK MARKET

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Stock prices displayed a firm tone at the opening of today's stock market. Cash sales for the purpose of establishing income tax losses totalled 2500 shares in the first few minutes of trading. Initial buying was most effective in the oils, the gains, however, being of a nominal character.

The market was generally strong in the morning with the low-priced rails, oils, tobaccos and chemical issues making the best showing. Cash sales for income tax losses were in considerable volume, embracing 100 different stocks, among which were U. S. Steel, DuPont, National Lead, American Locomotive, Bethlehem Steel, American Sugar, Stewart Warner, Union Pacific, and Chicago & Northwestern. Panhandle Producers & Refiners preferred jumped 6¾ points. Producers & Refiners, and Consolidated Cigar preferred 3½ each, Willys Overland preferred 2½, American Linseed preferred 2¼ and Atlantic Refining and Soo 2 each. Call money opened at 6 per cent.

The early demand was most effective in the low priced oils, northwestern rails, tobaccos and miscellaneous specialties. Gains of 1 to 2½ points were recorded by more than a score of issues in the first half hour, including St. Paul preferred, Chicago & Northwestern, Frisco common, Southern Railway, Allied Chemical, Schulte Stores, Consolidated Gas, Atlantic Refining, Producers & Refiners, Coca Cola and Willys Overland preferred. There were a few heavy spots, notably Corn Products and Cuba Cane Sugar preferred, each off about a point. Foreign exchanges opened lower.

Active selling of Davison Chemical carried it down 5½ points and Houston, Maryland and Invincible Oils also were heavy, but the market otherwise was responsive to the rise to par by United States Steel and a gain of two points to a new high figure for the year in Southern Railway. Sales to establish tax losses were expanded, cash transactions occurring in 150 different issues.

The closing was strong. The list showed general strength in the final hour, when some of the standard industrials were bid up sharply, particularly Baldwin.

Money Market

NEW YORK, Dec. 31. Foreign exchanges easy. Great Britain demand 4.32 7-16; cables 4.32 7-16, 60-day bills on banks 4.29 15-16. France demand 5.08½; cables 5.09. Italy demand 4.31½; cables 4.32. Belgium demand 4.46½; cables 4.47. Germany demand .000000000023, cables .000000000023. Holland demand 37.50; cables 37.55; Norway, demand, 14.61. Sweden, demand, 26.41. Denmark, demand, 17.71; Switzerland demand, 17.46; Spain, demand, 12.90. Greece, demand, 2.20; Poland, demand, .00003; Czecho-Slovakia, demand 2.93¾; Jugo-Slavia, demand 1.13½; Austria, demand, .0014; Rumania demand .51½; Argentine, demand 32.00. Brazil, demand, 10.00; Montreal, 97 9-16.

Cotton Market

NEW YORK, Dec. 31. Cotton futures opened steady. Jan. 34.85; March 35.58; May 35.40; July 34.35; Oct. 28.75.

NEW YORK MARKET

	High	Low	Close
Am Beet Sug	42	42	42
Am Can	101⅞	101¼	101⅞
do pfd	109¼	109¼	109¼
Am H & L	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
do pfd	[illegible]	51	51
Am Loco	75⅝	74¾	[illegible]
Am Smelt	59	58⅝	[illegible]
Am Sug	65⅞	58⅛	[illegible]
Am Sum Tob	21⅞	20⅝	[illegible]
Am T & T	125⅜	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am Woolen	73⅛	[illegible]	[illegible]
Anaconda	37¼	[illegible]	[illegible]
Atch	97	[illegible]	[illegible]
At Gulf	17¾	16	16
Baldwin	128¾	[illegible]	[illegible]
B & O	59	58⅝	59
Beth Steel	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
B R T	14⅝	14¼	14½
Butte & Sup	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Cal Pet	[illegible]	26¼	26½
Can Pac	[illegible]	146¼	146¼
Cent Lea	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
do pf	[illegible]	[illegible]	37⅞
Ches & O	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
C & G W	[illegible]	[illegible]	10½
C R I & P	[illegible]	[illegible]	23⅝
Col G & E	[illegible]	[illegible]	35⅞
Col Fuel	[illegible]	[illegible]	26
Coca Cola	[illegible]	[illegible]	61
Corn Prod	[illegible]	[illegible]	157⅞
Cru Steel	[illegible]	[illegible]	67½
Cuba Cane	[illegible]	[illegible]	14⅞
Elk Tob	[illegible]	[illegible]	12¾
Erie	[illegible]	[illegible]	21⅛
do pf	[illegible]	[illegible]	30
Gen Elec	[illegible]	196	196½
Gen Mot	[illegible]	[illegible]	15⅛
Granby	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Gt Nor pf	[illegible]	[illegible]	51⅞
Gt N Ore	[illegible]	[illegible]	28⅞
Ill Cen	[illegible]	[illegible]	101
Int Mer Mar	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
do pf	[illegible]	[illegible]	31
Int Paper	[illegible]	[illegible]	30⅝
Kennecott	[illegible]	[illegible]	34¼
K City S	18⅝	18	18½
Lehigh Val	60¼	[illegible]	60½
L & Nash	90	90	90
Maxwell	19⅝	48½	49½
do 1st	[illegible]	48	[illegible]
Midvale	28⅞	28⅞	28⅞
Mother Lode	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Mo Pac	19	9½	[illegible]
Nat Lead	142	141⅞	142
Nevada	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
N Y Air B	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
N Y Cent	104⅞	104¾	104¼
N Y & N H	[illegible]	14	[illegible]
Nor & West	104⅞	102¼	104
No Pac	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Ont & West	18	17	[illegible]
Pan Am	61⅞	61⅛	61⅞
Penn	42¼	41⅞	42⅞
Peo Gas	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Pere Marquette	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
P W V	38½	37⅞	38¼
Pres Steel	52½	52½	52½
Pullman	123½	121½	123¼
Pure Oil	[illegible]	22⅞	21⅞
Ray Con	11¼	11	11⅛
Reading	78	77½	77⅞
Rep I & S	51⅛	51	51⅛
do pf	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
St Paul	14	13⅞	14
Sinclair Oil	27⅛	[illegible]	[illegible]
Sloss	61½	61	61
So Pac	87⅞	87	87
So Ry	[illegible]	[illegible]	39
do pf	61	61	61
Stewart	[illegible]	[illegible]	91⅛
Stude	107⅛	106¼	106⅞
Tenn Cop	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Tex Pac	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Third Av	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
U Pac	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
do pf	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
U S I Al	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
U S Rub	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
do pf	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
U S Steel	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
do pf	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Va Chem	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Wab	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
do A	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Willys	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
West Elec	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Wor	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Shannon	37	37	37
St Marys	31	31	31
Sim & Bas	85	85	85
Swift & Co	102⅞	102¼	102¼
Swift Intl	20	19¾	20
Trinity	70	76	70
U Alpha	2½	2½	2½
U Cons	1	1	1
U Metal	20	20	20
U Sh M	31½	31	31½
do pfd	25⅞	25¼	25⅞
Venture	26⅞	26¼	26⅞
Waldorf	15½	15	15
Waltham Watch	6⅞	6⅞	6⅞

BOSTON MARKET

	High	Low	Close
Am W pfd	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Arcadian	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Ariz Com	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Bay St	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Bos & Me	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Bos & Pro	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
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GIVES LIFE TRYING TO SAVE HUSBAND

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Mrs. Anna Moncado was killed early today trying to shield her husband from bullets fired by Rafael Triano, a neighbor with whom he had quarreled. Triano fled and is being sought by police.

TWO KILLED BY EXPLOSION

EMPORIUM, Pa., Dec. 31.—Two men were killed and two others were injured today when the dynamite packing house of the Hercules Powder Co., two miles from Emporium, was destroyed by an explosion.

BOOTLEG LIQUOR CAUSES DEATH

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 31.—Bootleg liquor caused one death and the serious illness of more than 20 persons over the week-end in Philadelphia.

STORM JAIL, LYNCH PRISONER, IN ROME

ROME, Dec. 31.—A mob of several thousand persons stormed a jail in the Celano district, near Avezzano, and removed and lynched a prisoner charged with having stolen a number of valuable receptacles containing relics of the saints from a cathedral.

EARL OF JERSEY DEAD

BICESTER, England, Dec. 31. The death of the Earl of Jersey, George Henry Robert Child Villiers, at his Bicester estate, Middleton Park, was announced today. He was one of the large land owners of England, owning nearly 20,000 acres. His heir is his eldest son, Viscount Grandison, born in 1910.

B. & O. EXPRESS DERAILED

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Dec. 31.—The Baltimore & Ohio fast express from New York to Cincinnati, due here at 8.05 a. m., was derailed two and one-half miles west of Zaliski, Ohio. No one was seriously injured, according to railroad officials. The locomotive tender, two mail, two baggage and two coaches and four Pullmans were derailed by a washout. The train was proceeding at slow speed, and this probably averted a more serious accident.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES

MELBOURNE, Dec. 31. The estimated population of Australia is 5,[illegible], representing an increase of [illegible] since the last official census of 1921. The male sex predominates in the commonwealth, there being 2,[illegible],017 of the latter as against 2,731,045 females.

New South Wales, with a population of 2,182,379, is the most populous state.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31. A cablegram to President Ebert of the German republic, asking the pardon of Lieut. Corliss H. Graffe, serving a sentence at Mosbach, Germany, for the attempted kidnapping of Grover Cleveland Bergdoll, American draft evader, was sent last night by Dr. James Whitney Hall, president of the association seeking Graffe's release.

LONDON, Dec. 31. (By the Associated Press.) Frank B. Kellogg, American ambassador to Great Britain who arrived yesterday to assume his post [illegible] becoming known as "the friendly [illegible] sailor" by the many [illegible] him.

MUSSOLINI THANKS CABINET MINISTERS

ROME, [illegible] Premier Mussolini, addressing the cabinet last night, thanked the ministers for their cooperation during the last year. He declared the work accomplished represented [illegible] phase of the Fascist regime [illegible] the exercise of the full powers granted by the chamber of deputies. He praised the spirit of self [illegible] exhibited by Minister of Social [illegible] Corazzini, Minister of Agriculture [illegible] and Minister of Industry [illegible] who voluntarily left the cabinet when their departments were [illegible] in the interests of efficiency.

WANTED IN NORWOOD

Lowell police have been asked to help locate Miss Lillian Cooper, said to live on [illegible] Oldsmes street in the vicinity of the depot, who is wanted in Norwood at the bedside of a dying relative.

Motor [illegible] police officers have been relieved of [illegible] duty and assigned to beats, [illegible] today. The snowfall of the week-end marked the finish of the season for the speed cops.

Chauffeurs Will Return to Work

Continued

questioned Mr. Garrity's right to suspend them. The matter of pay, however, was not presented for action.

Thomas L. Reynolds, representing the chauffeurs, stated that no discharge or suspension has gone into effect.

Chairman Murphy replied a suspension does exist for the reason that the men involved have not worked.

Mr. Reynolds submitted the fact that these men were employed as chauffeurs and could not be placed on a laborer's job unless an emergency exists. He stated no such an emergency existed on the day in question.

"Who suspended these men?" asked Mr. Reynolds.

"Mr. Garrity, assistant superintendent of streets," replied Mr. Murphy.

"Has he ever been certified as such by the civil service?"

"I don't know, you will have to take that up with the civil service," answered Mr. Murphy.

"Under what authority does Mr. Garrity act as assistant superintendent?" asked Mr. Reynolds.

"By vote of this board."

Engineer Stephen Kearney then submitted the following statement relative to the controversy:

"I cannot see any reason or any excuse why these men should not have shoveled snow as ordered," he declared. "It has been the policy of this board to pay these chauffeurs in rainy weather and fair. However, it is not fair to the people of Lowell to have these men paid if they are not working. If men are to be entitled to pick their jobs, the city better can get along without them. The board has got to stand behind discipline in the departments under its control."

Mr. Leary said he did not feel Mr. Garrity had the right to suspend these men. He thought the men were entitled to pay for time lost.

It was unanimously voted that the men should return to work on Wednesday with the understanding that they should work on stormy days if there was anything for them to do, in their line or not, if they desired it, if not, they may loaf.

Mr. Fagan said that when he left the engineer's office he understood the matter was to be threshed out at the next meeting of the public service board. He did not understand they were to be suspended.

In response to a question by Mr. Murphy, Mr. Fagan said that he would rather do something else if there was no trucking to do.

Mr. Reynolds asked if "something else" included shoveling snow and Mr. Fagan answered, "No."

"Supposing there was nothing in your line to do," said Mr. Murphy, "would you rather loaf or do some other job?"

"Why, I would rather work, of course," was the reply.

Further testimony was given by Mr. Rogers, Mr. Higgins and Mr. Butler, the other three chauffeurs.

Mr. Murphy said that when the chauffeurs came to his office they told him no one was authorized to present the matter to the city council. In order to hear the case and to iron it out, he said he had called this special meeting instead of waiting until the regular meeting on Thursday.

The hearing closed at this time.

Chairman Murphy said he had no hesitancy in giving expression to his feeling in the matter.

"On the afternoon of Friday, Dec. 28, 1923, a delegation of five street department chauffeurs called at the city engineer's office to object to an order that asked them to shovel snow. The following developed upon inquiry:

"That they were asked to assist a number of city teamsters in clearing snow from the sidewalks surrounding the city stable.

"That, when the order was given these men were in the employ of, and under pay by the city.

"That weather conditions prevented any overhauling or repairs to the trucks.

"That these men were idle at the time, and unless they complied with the order, there was no work for them to do.

"Upon this, I informed them that if they interpreted their duties to consist only in driving trucks, then a new rule would be put into effect to pay them only when their trucks were running. I further stated that I would stand by the order as given to them, and if there was any objection to this decision, I would be glad to arrange a meeting for the chauffeurs with the Board of Public Service.

"These men returned to the city stables, and were again ordered to help clear the snow from the sidewalks. Upon their refusal, under my direction, they were told that they were laid off, and would be sent for when needed. Since that time the trucks have not been in use."

Mr. Reynolds asked Mr. Kearney if he knew where Supt. Doherty was at the time when the controversy took place at the barns.

He replied that he did not.

Mr. Reynolds then questioned as to what transpired at a conference between the engineer and the men involved.

"I submit," said Mr. Reynolds, "that there were sufficient men, teamsters, around the barn to shovel all the snow necessary without calling on these men."

"Well, unfortunately, you are not the assistant superintendent of streets," replied Mr. Murphy, "and you are not in a position to know whether there were men enough at the barn to do that work."

Mr. Reynolds inquired of Mr. Garrity if Mr. Doherty was at the office of the city stable last Friday afternoon.

"I could not say," he replied.

In telling of the order he gave to the chauffeurs, Mr. Garrity said he called one of the boys in, told him to get a shovel and go with some of the other boys and clean off the snow on the sidewalks around the stable.

Mr. Reynolds asked Mr. Garrity the names of the chauffeurs involved.

He gave the names of Michael Welch, John Butler, Thomas Rogers, Michael Fagan and Charles Higgins.

"Was there another man?" asked Mr. Reynolds.

"Yes, there was a sixth man, John Devlin," said Mr. Garrity.

Mr. Garrity said he ordered the men to shovel snow and after about 15 minutes went out and found they had not begun to work. He asked them if they intended to do the job and they replied they did not.

Devlin told him he was not able to do the work.

"The other men refused without reason," declared Mr. Garrity.

Mr. Reynolds continued his questioning of Mr. Garrity for upwards of half an hour, going into detail relative to conversations between the men and the assistant superintendent on the day the controversy transpired.

Mr. Reynolds asked if he felt he had authority to send the chauffeurs out shoveling snow downtown, in the square, for instance.

"I don't think I would ask them to do it," replied Mr. Garrity, "but I felt, and still feel, I had authority to order them to clear the sidewalks around the yard."

Mr. Reynolds transferred his questioning to Supt. Harry Doherty.

In reply to a question the superintendent said he was not at the office at the barn when the controversy took place and he knew nothing of the men going to the office of the engineer.

Michael Welch, one of the chauffeurs, was the next witness. He said there always was plenty of work to be done on the trucks.

"What kind of work?" asked Mr. Murphy.

"Greasing trucks, etc.," he replied.

"How often have you greased your truck this year?"

"About three times."

Michael Fagan spoke for the chauffeurs told of the order given by after the men had expressed a dis... Mr. Garrity at the barn. He said after the men had expressed a disinclination to shovel snow Mr. Garrity told them they were suspended until further notice.

INVESTIGATE 4 DEATHS

Occurred in Different Parts of New Jersey Over the Week-End

NEWARK, N. J., Dec. 31.—Four deaths, occurring in different parts of the state over the week-end, were being investigated today by police.

In Garfield, Frank Madej, a machinist who trailed his wife from Bridgeport, Conn., when she disappeared with her four children, shot and killed her as she was walking on the street with another man.

In Hoboken, Emil Peterson, Jr., 15, a student in the junior high school, died from wounds received when a revolver in the hands of Louis Luciano, 17, was discharged.

In Atlantic City, James Stone, a negro chair pusher, was shot and killed in a fight over $6. William Washington, another negro, was arrested.

In Westville, Miss Marcelle Mulvihill of Philadelphia was found dead in a clubhouse on the Glassboro turnpike and the authorities are investigating a party she attended.

CONFESSES!

Frank Benner, 26, New York city, is in custody of the police who allege he confessed to the murder of Miss Estelle Phillips, a saleswoman found strangled to death last October. Since Benner's arrest, police of other cities have reopened investigations in mystery deaths of women.

ATTORNEY TIERNEY LION CLUB SPEAKER

E. J. Tierney, local attorney, was the speaker of today's meeting of the Lion's club in the Y. M. C. A. During his talk, in which he commended the club on the lines of service which it follows, he declared that courage and truth are the two attributes most needed today in the world, and went on to say that there is a deplorable lack of courage in the manner in which legislators refuse to oppose the passage of laws such as the one which is now in force in regard to jury service, and which permits of women being dragged from their homes for such service. Such a law, declared Mr. Tierney, is preposterous. The opportunities of the club in overcoming such tendencies of cowardice are great. The speaker was introduced by Fred Harvey.

A committee report was read by Dr. G. F. Martin, in regard to the future activities of the club. Gardner Dumas officiated as secretary. A quartet composed of Dr. Martin, Victor Carey, Edward Coter and George Smith furnished the musical program for the day, with a string of popular numbers.

DEVORMER RELEASED BY THE RED SOX

BOSTON, Dec. 31.—President Robert Quinn of the Boston Americans, today announced the release of Catcher Al Devormer to the Mobile club of the Southern league. He said also that a contract had been sent to Ray Massey, an infielder, of Huntington, W. Va., who has played with the University of Cincinnati and later on semi-professional teams in the middle west.

James Price, recently appointed secretary of the Red Sox, took over his new duties today.

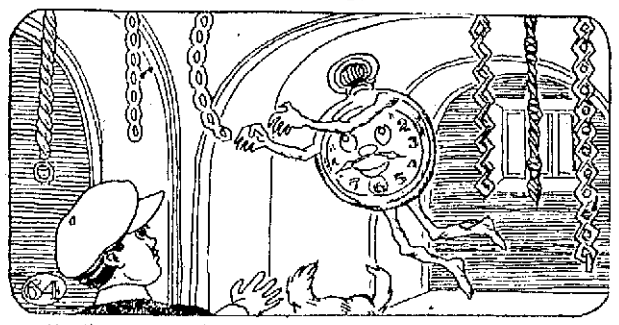
SECRET MEETING OF COMMUNISTS RAIDED

BOLOGNA, Italy, Dec. 31.—A secret meeting of communists in the back room of a cafe was raided by the police, who arrested 15 persons, including Signor Meani, director of the socialist newspaper Avanti and Deputy Fabri. The police seized many documents.

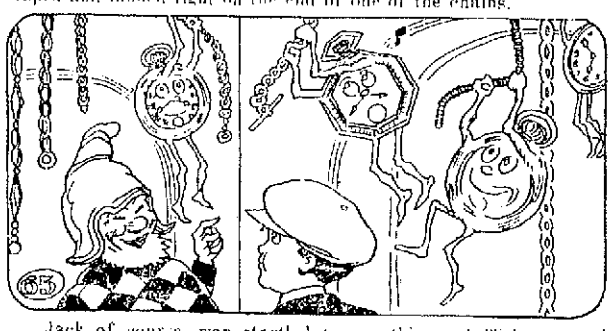
$50,000 DAMAGE BY FIRE

NEW LONDON, Conn., Dec. 31.—Damage estimated at $50,000 was caused to the tug Guardsman, when flames broke out in her forecastle early today, as she was tied up at the pier of her owners, the Merritt Chapman Scott Corporation. The cause of the fire is unknown. Captain Hoot and his crew of twenty were asleep when the alarm was given, but all escaped.

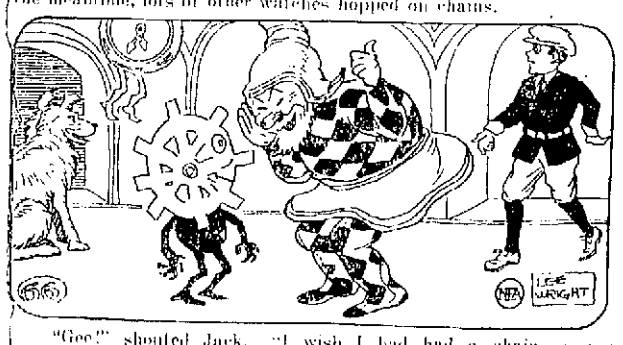
Jack Daw's Adventures. Chapter 22



On the way to the work shop Jack passed through a room where a lot of long gold chains were hanging. He was just about to ask Ticky what they were for, when a watch, something like his own came running into the room. Suddenly this watch leaped and landed right on the end of one of the chains.



Jack, of course, was startled to see this, and Ticky started to laugh. "Don't be surprised at anything you see in the Tower of Ticks," he said. "That is only a pocket watch hopping onto the chain, that will carry it into some man's vest pocket. In the meantime, lots of other watches hopped on chains.

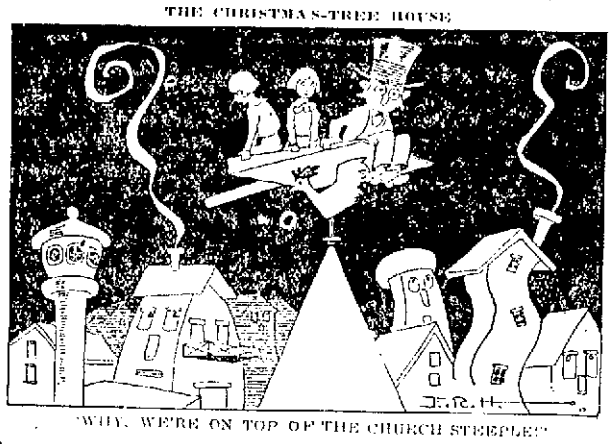


"Gee!" shouted Jack. "I wish I had had a chain on my watch." "Well," replied Ticky, "we'll see if we can't arrange to have your watch hop right on one of these chains." And then Ticky called one of his little Tocks and whispered something in his ear. "Sure," said the Tock, and disappeared. (Continued.)

ADVENTURES OF THE TWINS

by Olive Roberts Barton

THE CHRISTMAS-TREE HOUSE



"WHY, WE'RE ON TOP OF THE CHURCH STEEPLE!"

Away went the Twins on Daddy Gander's magic dustpan to Daddy Gander Land.

They could see it long before they arrived with its funny, lovely houses, and its dear, queer streets, and its odd, delightful lanes.

There was the house that Jack built, and the school house of the Ten-o'clock-Scholar, and everything.

Suddenly Daddy Gander shaded his eyes from the sun and a worried look gathered upon his usually good-natured brow. "Yes, sir! That's it as sure, as you're alive!" he declared "and he promised me he wouldn't. What would I do if Mother Goose were to get back before me?"

"Whatever in the world are you talking about?" asked Nick. "Is it a secret?"

"No," answered Daddy Gander. "Look and see for yourselves. Secret! I should say not! It's the mill! Poppleton Bun, the miller, promised me that he wouldn't grind so much as a mustard seed while I was away and he's broken his promise. There will be chaff and flour dust over everything in the place and Mother Goose will be terribly peeved. She just finished sweeping up the whole place before he went away, and her last words were, 'Now, Daddy Gander, I'm leaving everything in your charge. I want you to keep everything as spick and span as you know how. And don't let that fat miller-man run his mill, and don't let the sandman spill any of his mussy sand.'"

"Well, you can't help it, can you?" said Nancy.

"Yes, at least I could have, but it's too late now," sighed Daddy Gander. "I should have stayed at home and looked after things, but I have the worst memory. I forgot!"

At that minute they arrived. The magic dustpan stopped, and they were just about to jump off when Daddy Gander happened to look over the edge. "Mercy me on us. Why, we're on top of the church steeple!" he cried. "A single step would kill us! Dusty," he scolded, "what's getting to be the matter with you? It's bad enough for me to be getting absent-minded without you. Now takes us out of here and put us down in front of the Christmas-Tree House that I fixed up for the Twins to live in. You know where it is! Next door to Bo Peep's and right across the street from Missez Sprat's. A Christmas-Tree House is a house you fix up with lights and doll furniture and put under a Christmas-Tree."

The magic dustpan gave a wiggle and wiggled itself off the steeple. And after they'd all gone, the tin rooster that swung on a rod and told which way the wind blew, flapped his wings and crowed loudly and pugnantly.

"Well, I declare!" he cackled. "Such an insult! To be treated like a doormat! It's high time Mother Goose was coming home!"

In the meantime the dustpan had taken the travelers down to the street and deposited them in front of the Christmas-Tree House.

(To Be Continued)

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TRAINS TO AND FROM BOSTON

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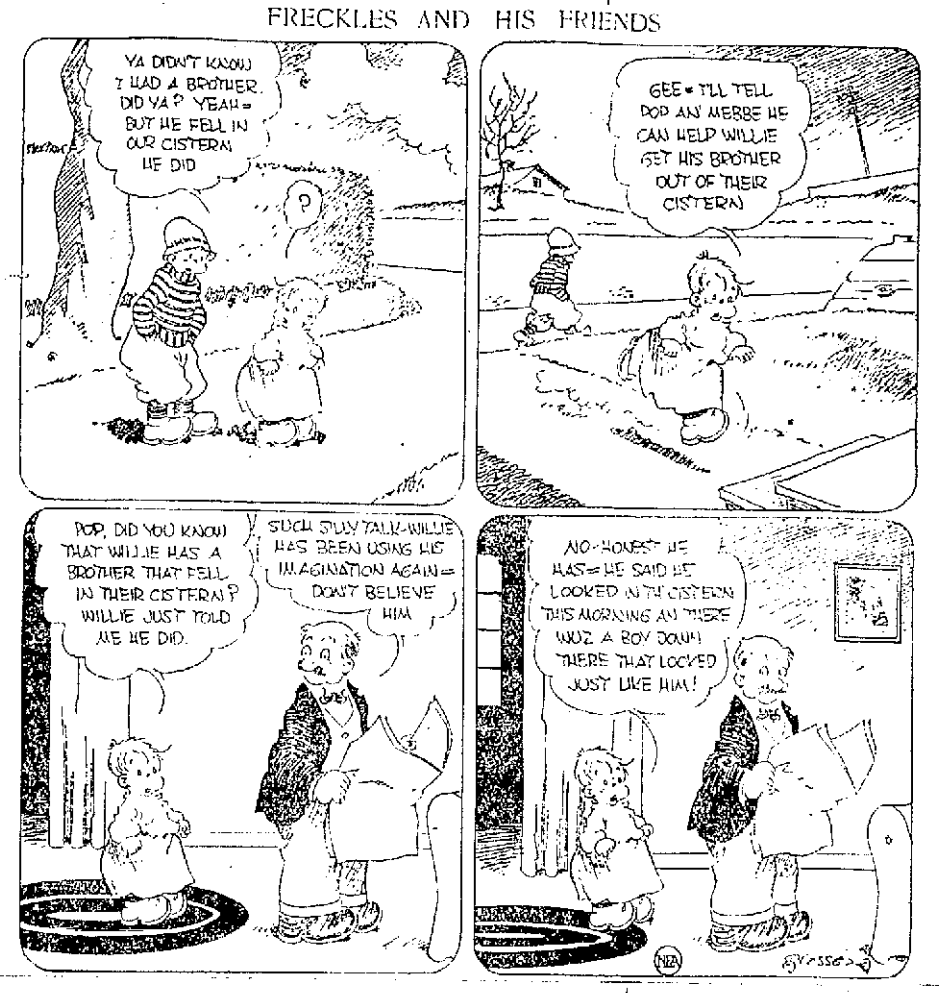
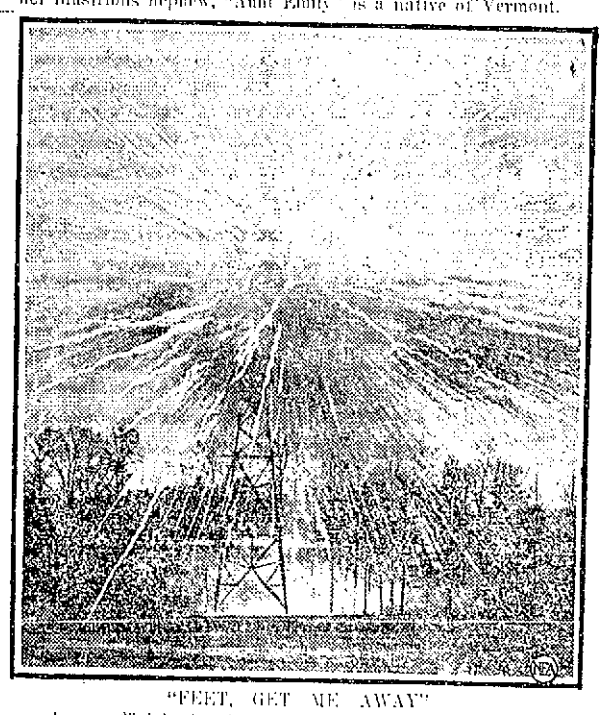
THE SUN IS ON SALE AT BOTH NEWSSTANDS IN NORTH STATION, BOSTON

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



SHE'S PRESIDENT'S AUNT

Mrs. Emily P. S. Moore, President Coolidge's "dear Aunt Emily," is conducting one of the registration booths in the Safe Drivers Club's membership campaign in Washington. Like her illustrious nephew, "Aunt Emily" is a native of Vermont.



"FEET, GET ME AWAY"

Army officials in the vicinity of Washington, D. C., are testing new high explosives. The camera caught a 25-pound white phosphorous bomb when it exploded. This bomb is for an air attack and is made for smoke and incendiary purposes.

Announcements

LOST AND FOUND 2

FIRESTONE TIRE and rim, mounted, 34x5, lost. Reward H. James & Son, Inc., 259 Mt. Vernon st.

LADY'S POCKETBOOK containing sum of money lost last Saturday afternoon on Merrimack st., Cardinal O'Connell parkway or on Market st. Reward if returned to 15 Second ave.

BLACKISH BROWN ANGORA CAT with white nose and front, lost about week ago. Return 255 Walker st.

FUR NECKPIECE lost at Keith's theatre Friday afternoon. Reward 18 Pentey st.

GOLD CHAIN KNIFE with Masonic charm lost. Reward Tel. 354-J.

FOUNTAIN PEN lost from Congress st. to Davis sq. Reward at 161 Congress st. or Tel. 4882-J.

TORTOISE SHELL GLASSES lost Wednesday on Bridge, Prescott, Central or Middlesex sts. Reward 80 Fourth st.

SMALL POCKETBOOK containing small sum of money found. Inquire Mr. Brown. Tel. 178.

BLACK RIMMED GLASSES lost. Return 24 Barclay st. Reward.

MISCELLANEOUS

$20 OFFERED FOR THIS BOOK,—"Overland to California in 1849," by Joseph Sedgley. Address John L. Hitchcock, 1010 Powell street, San Francisco, California.

Your Health

by Dr. C. C. Robinson

RELAXATION

Work when you work, play when you play. So says the old rhyme and there are germs of truth in its teaching. Of course, we know that play is, psychologically speaking, a half-way stage between work and rest. In the stress and strain of busy working lives, there must be some well regulated amount of actual rest.

Although the average person does not think much about it or realize the time or extent, every bodily power takes a certain amount of rest or relaxation after exertion. We must do it or the nerves and muscles of our bodies will refuse to function properly. The man or woman who has the spirit of constant action, even refusing to give attention to proper rest, sleep or recreation, to say nothing of keeping up the tense nervous strain, is rapidly going to smash.

The power to relax, when fatigue of mind or muscle comes, is one of the great safeguards of health.

The busy housewife will find a great relief to her overtaxed bodily powers if she takes her relaxation by simply stopping during the busy period and lying down on her back, closing her eyes and permitting muscles to rest perfectly. Relaxation is a kind of short vacation between the hurrying duties of the daily grind.

Simple and rest restoring forms of relaxation are a cold spray or shower bath alternated with hot. This affords an excellent tonic for tired nerves and muscles and rouses the blood to skin tingling activities. Sometimes restless people are greatly benefited by quiet walks employing deep rhythmic breathing which will often produce restful sleep and complete relaxation.

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AUTO TIRES PUT IN SHAPE now by Healy & Hiltz will carry through the winter. 404 Central st. Tel. 4590.

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FURNITURE UPHOLSTERED and refinished. All work guaranteed. Lowell Furniture Repair Shop, 5 Lincoln sq. Tel. 6865.

UPHOLSTERING—Furniture repairing. G. Gott, 384 Bridge st. Tel. 6070.

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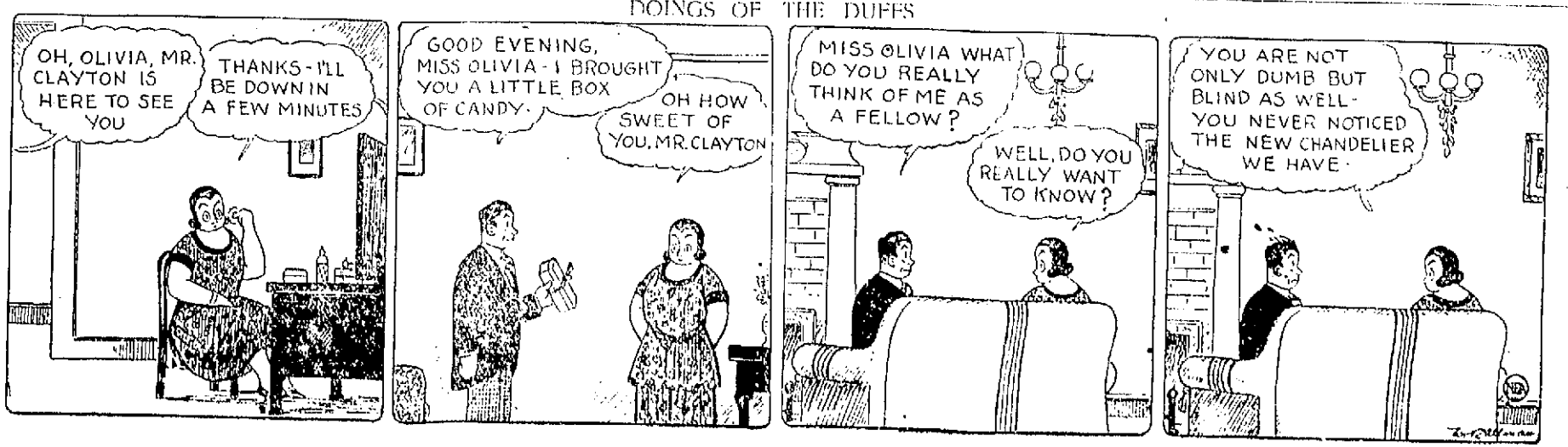

LOCAL FIRE DAMAGE FOR ELEVEN MONTHS NEARLY $500,000

Fiske Block Fire Biggest of the Year—Damage Amounted to $115,005.02—Meadowcroft Street Fire Damage Was $59,057—19 Fires Over $5000 Each

A total of 19 fires resulting in losses of $5000 or over, occurred during the first 11 months of this year, the total loss from the fires being almost half a million dollars. This is compared with a total of 17 fires with losses of $5000 or over in the year 1922, the total loss being less than in 11 months this year.

By far the worst fire this year occurred on the morning of Nov. 4, when the Fiske block at the corner of Central and Jackson streets was damaged to the extent of $115,005.02. The second most disastrous fire of this year occurred May 18 when the plant of J. A. Thompson on Meadowcroft street and a large quantity of lumber was destroyed. The loss incurred is totalled $59,057. The third largest fire of the year occurred Nov. 12, when the storehouse of David Ziskind on Tanner street was razed and the business establishment of the H. W. Clark Biscuit company adjoining it was badly damaged. The loss at this fire amounted to $46,885.92.

During the first 11 months of this year there were 256 alarms, bell, telephone and still, for fires where some damage was done to buildings or their contents.

Fires $5000 and Over

The following is a list of all fires where the damage amounted to $5000 or more as given on the records of the fire department: Jan. 10, A. Wolff, 111 Chelmsford street, $13,765.50; Jan. 20, J. K. Whittier, 72 Canton street, $6273.71; Jan. 21, J. E. Carroll, 21 Florence avenue, $5500; Jan. 26, J. E. Carroll, 279-285 Dutton st., $7895.01; Feb. 19, Appleton Co., 225-255 Middlesex street, $23,121; Feb. 24, S. H. Rostler, 21 Davenport terrace, $13,925; Feb. 25, Mrs. C. Palmer, 129 Fairmount, $11,900; March 12, D. A. Sakellarios, 366-374 Market, $5335; March 23, high school annex, Paige street, $31,360; May 15, Associate building, $14,710.17; May 18, J. A. Thompson, Meadowcroft street, $59,057; June 2, Scannell Bros., Tanner street, $6,889.87; July 30, B. E. Domaille and C. H. Willis, 13 Kearney square, $5439.96; Aug. 19, B. E. Gates, 185 Branch street, $5636.16; Sept. 2, Mass. Cities Realty company, Jackson street, $11,520.73; Sept. 8, John P. Quinn estate, Dix street, $7020; Nov. 4, Fiske building, Peter Roach, trustee, Central and Jackson streets, $115,005.02; Nov. 12, David Ziskind, Scannell Boiler Works, et als, Tanner street, $46,885.92; Nov. 29, P. O'Hearn, 148 Warren street, $9274.67. The total loss incurred in the above 19 fires is $405,691.01.

While the official records for December are not complete, it is believed that the only fire resulting in damage of over $5000 occurred last Saturday when the screening plant of the Horne Coal company was damaged to the extent of $8000.

One Fireman Killed

One fireman, William T. Foss of Hose 9, was killed while in the performance of his duty during the past year and several were injured. Hosemen Foss received fatal injuries when he fell from a building on Tanner street where a small fire was in progress and landed against the coupling of a freight car standing on a nearby sidetrack. Two firemen were injured at the Associate building fire when the ladder they were on slipped and threw them to the ground and four were slightly injured at the fire in the apartment house at 21 Davenport terrace, owned by S. H. Rostler.

Firemen Hurt at Pihl Fire

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fire was about under control an alarm was sounded from box 412, at Main and Plain streets. Police Supt. Atkinson and Lieut. Frawley rushed there in the police machine, followed by Fire Chief Saunders in his car, a hook and ladder truck and one chemical apparatus. They found a small blaze that was quickly attended to and the detachment returned to the Pihl fire.

Trolley and automobile traffic was at a standstill for over an hour, many autos being trapped between lines of hose over which the police would not permit them to pass.

The firemen worked under an unusual handicap. The building is beside a brook and as a result parts thereof were quite inaccessible. Six streams of water were kept on the building until the stubborn blaze was conquered.

Incendiarism Theory Advanced

The origin of the fire is undetermined, although police are conducting an exhaustive investigation into the possibility of incendiarism. There have been incendiary fires in that vicinity, the most recent and notable being at the Quinn coal yards.

The snow-covered roofs on adjoining buildings provided more than ample protection as the blaze was confined within the building for the most part. The fire had its inception on the second floor, about in the middle of the building, and made rapid headway. Fire damage is confined to the second and third floors. Water damage to goods on the first floor of the building will be heavy.

That there was little wind and that a heavy wet snowfall was in progress contributed greatly in keeping the fire within bounds. The heat from the flames was intense, melting glass in several windows in the rear of the second and third stories.

Owner Visited Building Twice

Mr. Pihl, who lives at 208 Princeton street, was at a loss to definitely determine the cause of the fire and said last night that he could not attempt to make an estimate of his loss without making a thorough inventory. It will run into the thousands, he said. He has some insurance, but it will be insufficient to anywhere near meet the loss, he said.

Opinions, even of experts, on the value of second hand furniture, vary so widely that an appraisal will probably have to be made before the amount of loss can be officially determined.

Mr. Pihl, in speaking to a reporter for The Sun during the course of the fire, said that he had visited the store at 1.30 in the afternoon and had walked all through the building. That everything was all right at the time he was certain. Later, at about 7.30, he was in the place again, but did not go through the upper floors.

Efforts last night to determine the cause of the blaze were fruitless. There has been no coal fire in the store this winter, Mr. Pihl said last night. Two time-worn causes, often used, were exploded in conversation with Mr. Pihl. No matches are kept in the building, which would tend to destroy the "rats and matches" theory. "Defective wiring" is useless because of the fact that the building is illuminated by gas and there are no wires connected to or within the building.

At Lowell Corporation hospital it was said that Capt. Tom Collins sustained numerous bruises and abrasions and a fractured ankle. His brother was not seriously injured.

OTHER SUNDAY FIRES

Possibility That Incendiarism Caused Blaze at Lantagne Glue and Ink Factory

Two small fires in addition to the two-alarm furniture store blaze last night kept firemen busy from early evening until nearly midnight. During the course of the Pihl fire a small fire at the glue and ink factory of Joseph T. Lantagne, in Plain street, required attention. This blaze was nipped before it had gained much headway.

This is the second fire to occur in the plant within two weeks and a rigid investigation has been ordered by Police Supt. Atkinson who hold to the incendiarism theory.

A large crowd was attracted to the square last night when box 36 was sounded for a small blaze on the fourth floor of the Fairburn building. The fire was confined wholly to the office of Maurice Barlofsky and a pipe containing burning tobacco, found in a waste basket by the firemen, is held responsible for the fire.

MATRIMONIAL

In the beautiful chapel of the Immaculate Conception rectory this morning, Miss Mary E. McCartin, a popular resident of the Oaklands, and J. Frederick Gannon, manager of the Dover, N. H. telephone exchange, were united in marriage by Rev. James P. McCartin, O.M.I., a brother of the bride. In attendance at the ceremony were Very Rev. Lawrence F. Tighe, O.M.I., Oblate provincial, and Rev. James J. McCartin, O.M.I., a cousin of the bride.

The ceremony took place at a nuptial mass at 9 o'clock. The bridesmaid was Miss Anna S. McCartin, sister of the bride, and the best man was Chas. E. Cowdrey of Billerica. During the service, "O Promise Me" was sung by Mr. William Gookin, while Mrs. Frank McCartin rendered "Nata Nohis."

The bride was attractively attired in a gown of white Elizabeth bridal satin with ermine and pearls, and wore a bridal veil caught with orange blossoms and chantilly lace. She carried a shower bouquet of lilies of the valley and orchids. The bridesmaid wore a dress of orchid chiffon and a picture hat to match. She carried a bouquet of sweet peas.

After the ceremony, a sumptuous wedding breakfast was served at the home of the bride's parents, 236 Rogers street, by Caterer Lydon. The house was tastily decorated with potted palms and flowers.

The happy couple left later in the day on an extended honeymoon and upon their return will reside in Dover, N. H., where they will be pleased to receive their friends after Feb. 1.

Matte—Desmarais

A pretty wedding took place this morning at St. Louis' church when Mr. Louis G. Matte, a prominent member of the clerical staff of the Lowell Electric Light Corp. and Miss Sybil V. Desmarais, chief clerk in the law office of J. Gilbert Hill and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Napoleon Desmarais of Fisher st. were united in the holy bonds of matrimony. The ceremony, which was largely attended, was performed at a high nuptial mass celebrated at 8 o'clock by Rev. F. N. Gauthier. The choir, under the direction of Oliv J. David, rendered appropriate music, with orchestra accompaniments, Miss Ida Mongrain presiding at the organ. During the service solos were sustained by Mr. E. S. Desmarais and Mrs. Marie Louise Chalifoux, while Mr. Wilfrid Morin of Lawrence rendered a cornet selection. The bride was attired in white brocaded georgette crepe trimmed with pearls; she also wore a veil with wreath and carried a shower bouquet of bridal roses and lilies of the valley. She was given away by her father, Mr. Napoleon Desmarais while the groom was attended by his father, Mr. Sinaie Matte. At the close of the ceremony a wedding breakfast was served at the home of the bride's parents, 63 Fisher street and in attendance from out of town were Mr. and Mrs. Antoine Morin and son, Wilfrid of Lawrence; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Desmarais and son, Henry of Derry, N. H.; Mrs. Horace Morse of Cambridge, and Mrs. Florence Crowley of Andover. The happy couple, who were the recipients of numerous wedding gifts left on a honeymoon trip to Boston, Providence, R. I., New York and Bermuda and will be at home to their friends at 63 Fisher street after Feb. 1. The ushers at the church and home were Messrs. Charles Cote and Ralph Matte. Saturday evening the classmates of the bride at Notre Dame academy, class '21, 14 in number, gathered at her home and tendered her a linen shower. Musical and literary numbers were given and buffet luncheon was served. Mr. and Mrs. Matte will be tendered a reception on Saturday evening, Jan. 12, at the home of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sinaie Matte, 8 Endicott street.

Carleton—Moore

Mr. Leslie W. Carleton of Boston and Miss Matilda Mae Moore of North Chelmsford were united in marriage Saturday evening at the home of the bride's parents in Holt street by Rev. W. D. Harrison, pastor of the Congregational church, North Chelmsford. The bride wore a becoming gown of blue canton crepe and carried a bouquet of bridal roses. She was attended by Miss Jennie Moore, who wore blue satin and carried pink roses. Mr. Robert Moore, brother of the bride, acted as best man. The bride presented her bridesmaid with a string of pearls, while the best man received a pair of cuff links from the bridegroom. A reception was tendered the bridal couple following the ceremony, after which Mr. and Mrs. Carleton left on an extended wedding trip to New York and other places of interest. Upon their return they will make their home at 237 Chestnut avenue, Jamaica Plain, Boston, where they will be at home to friends after Feb. 1, 1924.

EAGLES' NOTICE

The next regular meeting of Lowell Aerie will be held Monday evening, Dec. 31, in Eagles hall, at 7.30 o'clock.

Auction Pitch will be played after the meeting.

Suitable prizes will be given to the winners.

Per order,

THOMAS F. QUINN, W. Pres.,
JOHN M. HOGAN, Sec.

Another Year—Another Grain of Sand

10-YEAR-OLD BOSTON GIRL STABS BOY

BOSTON, Dec. 31.—When words failed to express her contempt and outraged feelings against boys who tried to monopolize the excellent coasting along Third street, South Boston, yesterday afternoon, 10-year-old Polly Ridzvin of 44 Billerica street, West End, drew from her pocket a knife and, in true "moving picture" style, drove the blade into the shoulder of John Lyons, 10 years old, of 368 Athens street, South Boston.

According to some of the children who had witnessed the display of temper, Polly, who was visiting her chum, Frances Norkytis of 293 Bolton street, undertook to champion the cause of the girls, whom the boys were trying to drive away. She picked out the Lyons boy who, for all his immature years, seemed to be the ring leader, and after trying to put him to flight with her fists, resorted to the more primitive methods of a knife.

Officers Murphy and Griffin of the Athens street police station, arrived on the scene and dispelled the small rioters, and then took the injured boy to the office of Dr. John P. Jones at 392 West Broadway, where his wound was dressed.

On account of the extreme youth of the girl, the police state, it is doubtful whether any action will be taken in the matter by the authorities.

MR. AND MRS. STANLEY CHRYSLER INJURED

Mrs. Stanley H. Chrysler of 258 Gibson street is confined to the Lowell General hospital suffering from injuries received late yesterday afternoon when the automobile in which she and her husband were riding skidded into a tree near the Chelmsford-Westford line. Her husband, who is president and general manager of the North Chelmsford Machine and Supply company, is also confined at the same hospital suffering from injuries received when he fell down a flight of stairs in a house near the scene of the accident from which he had telephoned to this city for medical assistance for his wife.

Neither Mr. nor Mrs. Chrysler was seriously injured and both were reported this forenoon as resting very comfortably.

YES, WE ATE SOME BANANAS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Every man, woman and child in the United States ate two-fifths of a bunch of bananas during 1922 or at least the total number of bananas consumed, if divided equally among the entire population, would have given that amount. During that year 15,093,592 bunches of bananas were imported into the country valued at $19,145,911. Who said we have no bananas here? I'm not the man.

RECEIVERS FOR TRACTOR CO.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Federal receivers today were appointed for the Gray Tractor Co., Inc., with offices in New York and a plant in Minneapolis.

An equity action brought by Charles Fuller & Co., with a claim of $7732, resulted in the appointment. The complaint indicated liabilities at $377,000 and assets at $456,000.

YULETIDE PARTY

A social and dance in aid of St. Columba's building fund will be held in Associate hall, Wednesday evening. Miner-Doyle's orchestra will furnish the music.

BIG RUSH FOR LICENSES

Local Motor Vehicle Registration Office Scene of Great Activity Today

Tardy motor vehicle 1924 license registrants "flocked to the polls" this morning in masses that actually choked the branch offices in the Mengeau building and at one time filled the stairways leading from the building entrance.

Motorists for nearly every section of Middlesex county hustled to the local registration bureau crowding the offices long before 9 a. m., with lines of men and women that overflowed into hallways and stairs shortly after 10 o'clock.

It was the biggest and busiest day of the season at the registration offices. Room 210 and 211 were filled early, many registrants from nearby country towns reaching the offices at that hour because of threatening storm conditions and their desire to get back to their home before road conditions became any worse.

Fitchburg and Worcester were represented today, oddly enough. Applicants came also from as far as Weston and Maynard on the south and southeast. Winchester was also represented. Saturday's list of licenses issued was 551 and Friday's but 150. More than 1,000 licenses were issued this morning before 11 o'clock, which makes it a big day already.

WOOLEN SPINNERS ELECT OFFICERS

Members of Woolen Spinners' local, U. T. W. of A., assembled in Trades and Labor hall, Central street, Saturday evening, elected officers for the coming year as follows:

President, Lewis Shea; vice president, Austin Jennard; recording secretary, Fred Belitzer; financial secretary and treasurer, George Allan; conductor, James Hand; warden, John Lowe; trustees, R. Yates, C. Friedman and T. Foley; auditors, M. Tully and E. Kenney. There was a social hour after the business meeting.

STOCKINGS $300 A PAIR IN PARIS

PARIS, Dec. 31.—The newest (and most expensive) fad in Paris is stockings made of pure silver thread. The thread is drawn out to remarkable fineness and is nearly as soft as silk. The effect, when worn with silvered shoes, is gorgeous. And they cost only $300 a pair.

Will Give New Year Enthusiastic Welcome

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night shows, particularly Keith's, the Opera House and The Strand. The Keith show will start promptly at 11 o'clock and will continue until well after the midnight hour. A specially engaged musical comedy company will give a performance at the Opera House, beginning at 11.45 o'clock, after the regular presentation of this week's play by the Stock company. The Strand picture show will continue until the small morning hours.

Among the clubs which will hold open house and jollifications are the Elks, South End club and Broadway club. The South End program is in the nature of a banquet to be held at Odd Fellows hall, Middlesex street.

The chimes of St. Anne's will peal out welcome to the new year at midnight and there will be a special service from 11 until 12 o'clock. A service and pageant at All Souls also will begin at 11 p.m. Many of the other Protestant churches will conduct watch night services.

As all of the many celebrations will be held indoors, no one will be disturbed by the disagreeable weather in prospect, nor will the cold rain falling today in any degree dampen the spirit of the occasion.

49,500 IRISH RESIDENTS KILLED IN WORLD WAR

DUBLIN, Dec. 31.—The Irish war memorial committee has completed and published a full list of the Irish dead in the great war. They numbered 49,500. No name is included save men actually residents of Ireland on enlistment. It is exclusive of the Irish-born men who served from the British Dominions or other countries. The committee has figured that Ireland alone sent 200,000 men to fight in the war.

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Cote's Taxi Service, 151 Paige st. Tel. 1829-W.

Cadets Daniel J. Martin and Edward E. Martin, sons of Mr. and Mrs. David P. Martin, will return to Annapolis tomorrow after a 10 day vacation here.

Hon. James B. Casey will be the speaker at the weekly meeting of the Rotary club of Newburyport on Wednesday noon. Mayor Michael J. Cashman of Newburyport will preside.

Harry H. Blunt, Nashua manufacturer, died suddenly at his home there Saturday, leaving a widow and two daughters. Mr. Blunt was a trustee of Dartmouth college and was 48 years old. Among his clubs was the Vesper of Lowell.

Rev. Robbins W. Barstow, pastor of the First Congregational church, Concord, N. H., who addressed the Congregational club here recently, has resigned his pastorate to accept a call to Madison, Wisconsin.

Miss Ellen A. Stillings, principal of the Eliot school, has been re-elected to the teachers' retirement board. Commissioner of Education Payson A. Smith and Harry Smalley of Fall River are the two other board members.

Among the Lowell students at Dartmouth college who are at home for vacation are Philip Molloy, S. Abbott Lamson and John Harvey.

The public and parochial schools of Lowell, the State Normal school and the Lowell Textile school will open on Wednesday, Jan. 2, 1924, for the commencement of the second semester.

Leonard Huntress, Jr., and Mrs. Huntress spent the holidays with his parents. He resides in New Jersey in the same town with Gov. Selzer of New Jersey who, he says, is a very fine man and is mentioned as a "wet" candidate for vice president on the democratic ticket.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Berkeley Carrington, of Danville, Va., have been spending the holidays at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Ella W. Simpson, of 201 Nesmith street, Lowell. Mrs Carrington was formerly Miss Lura Simpson of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Eveleth announce the engagement of their daughter, Olive, to Carroll Wilmot Peck, of Providence, R. I. The announcement was first made public at a luncheon given at the Nashua Country club, Dec. Saturday, by Mrs. Harold H. Fletcher and Miss Helen Eveleth, in honor of Mrs. Harry Spencer of Baltimore, Md.

Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Cull of 249 East Merrimack street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary Gertrude, to Frank J. Quinn of Syracuse, N. Y., son of Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Quinn, 18 Chambers street, this city. Mr. Quinn is a graduate of North eastern, class of '20, and is assistant purchasing agent of the Lamson Co., Syracuse, N. Y.

MAYOR DONOVAN IS WORKING ON HIS INAUGURAL ADDRESS

Frank McNeil is Candidate for Position of Building Inspector—Mayor May Not Make Any Nominations On Inaugural Day, Monday, Jan. 7

Francis A. Connor, for the past 12 years city inspector of public buildings and Frank J. McNeil, one of Mayor Donovan's closest friends, are two avowed candidates for the position of building inspector next year.

Asked today if his mind is made up relative to the submission of a nomination to the city council for this place, Mayor John J. Donovan said he still is considering the matter and added that both men are candidates.

His Honor said further that he does not know whether or not he will make any nominations to the council on inauguration day, one week hence. At present he is working on his inaugural address, which will include a review of the work of his administration during 1923 and certain recommendations for 1924.

Inaugural exercises will be held on Monday, January 7, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon and will be decidedly simple in character. No invitations to attend will be sent out and the exercises will consist mainly of the mayor's inaugural, read to the council, and the taking of the oath of office by the nine ward councilors.

The school committee will meet at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, at which time the city clerk will administer the oath to Franklin E. Johnson and John H. Preston, the two new committeemen.

CALL FOR INTENSIFIED MISSIONARY WORK

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 31.—A world call for intensified missionary activity and a program of broader evangelical work in the Christian church in America, is the keynote of the quadrennial report of the executive committee submitted today to the Student Volunteer convention. The committee is composed of 30 members, 15 students representing upward of 7000 delegates in more than 1000 schools and colleges of the United States and Canada, and 15 representatives of some two score of evangelical denominations co-operating in the task of preparing college students for foreign fields.

The new program of the missionary, the report declares, involves nothing less than "transforming political, economic and social institutions the world over, to make them conform to the spirit of Christianity."

"Human welfare is threatened by war, economic selfishness and exploitation, race hatred and materialistic philosophers, which must be overcome by invigorated Christian enterprise and through the social application of the Christian gospel," it is declared.

"The absolute incompatibility of the war spirit with the missionary spirit and the Christian ideal is becoming more and more apparent to thoughtful leaders of church and state," says a declaration on the "waste, cruelty, and utter futility of war."

More than 100 new missionaries annually from the United States and Canada will be the minimum requirement in personnel to carry on the foreign work already instituted in more than 20 countries. It is the hope of church leaders, the report continues, that the new workers may be recruited largely from the ranks of college trained men and women.

The committee rejected the proposal of the American student fellowship for Christmas service that the two organizations amalgamate in support of a unified program embracing home missionary activity, as well as foreign work.

BOBBED HAIR OUT OF FASHION

PARIS, Dec. 31.—Girls, let your hair grow again. Bobbed hair is out of fashion, according to the decree of the Congress of Capillary Artists, as the European barbers call themselves. Here is what they have prescribed:

For young girls: Coiffure consisting of two wide tresses on the forehead and the hair falling over the shoulders.

For young women: Fluffy, curly hair, worn very low at the back. Long earrings.

For women over 30. Hair piled on top of the head. Narrow ribbon around the temples.

FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

ANNANDALE-ON-HUDSON, N. Y., Dec. 31.—The football schedule of St. Stephen's college for 1924, shows games with Bowdoin at Brunswick, Me., on Sept. 27 and with Providence college at Providence, Oct. 25.

Yuletide Party
In Aid of St. Columba's Building Fund
ASSOCIATE HALL
Wednesday Evening, Jan. 2
MINER-DOYLE'S ORCHESTRA
ADMISSION ..... 50 CENTS

DANCE
TONIGHT AND TOMORROW NIGHT
Bay State Dancing School
265 DUTTON STREET
Ladies 10¢ — Checking Free — Gentlemen 50¢

HIGHLAND CLUB — TONIGHT
STRATFORDS WITH WRICKS' ORCHESTRA
Dancing 9 to 2 A. M. — Subscription 75¢

Tonite—Lincoln Hall
MOHAWKS' DANCE 8 P. M. to 4 A. M.

KASINO—TONIGHT
NEW YEAR'S SKATING PARTY
Commencing Tonight at 12 O'Clock
SKATING EVERY AFTERNOON AND EVENING

Welcome the New Year
TONIGHT
At Associate Hall
Monster Carnival and Dance
FAVORS, FUN, FROLIC, NOVELTIES, SOUVENIRS
Real New York Celebration
DANCE TILL 1. MINER-DOYLE'S ORCHESTRA
ADMISSION 50¢

New Year's Party
TUESDAY NIGHT
MINER-DOYLE'S ORCHESTRA——ADMISSION 50